The soft spoken Mr. Wilkerson, who worked on an essential job in the Navy Yard for two and shall years during the war without a vacation, said he considered this an excellant record.

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The native Washingtonian, a graduate of Dunbar High School, went in as an apprentice and when he resigned he was a machinist third-class.

Mr. Wilkerson asid he resigned because the white men became hostile to him and other colored workers after the Allies won the war. "The master mechanic abused his authority and unfair diplomacy was used in the shep," he declared.

Robert L Smith, attorney for the war wilkerson, told the AFRO that his client had not technically related by a grand jury wilkerson, told the AFRO that his client had not technically related by a grand grand without a doubt he is a citizen," he declared.

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Mr. Wilkerson, told the AFRO that his client had not technically related any essential parts of the selective Service Act. "He registered, as required and took the mental and physical tata" he stated.

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Another Report Requested apro - american

Before there is too much shouting, we'd like to point out that Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson's "directive" for racial equality for the National Military Establishment is no great improvement over previous orders.

The Gillem Board's Report issued in 1946 and President Truman's Executive Order issued last year both have called for the "ultimate" Army was Senator William Lang of North Dakota who staged a or man battle in the Senate again discrimination in the Arm Forces Selective Service bill.

On this score, then, Secretary Johnson's memorandum is duplication of these and therefore represents no substantial advance.

But on one point, however, it goes a step further than either because it sets up a "ay 1 deadline by which time the services must tell in detail how they propose to carry out the general

hey also are required to set forth anything which they have already done looking toward a full utilization of all manpower without regard to race, color, religion or national origin.

The setting up of a definite deadline for such progress reports is at least one indication that this matter of segregation in the armed forces is still on the agenda.

More than two years have passed since the "illem Board's Report and nearly a year has gone by since the President's order. As far as most of us were concerned, then, the matter apparently was a dead issue.

Secretary Johnson has breathed new life into it and hope again is revived that something tangible will be done. We'll withhold judgment

until after May 1.



lowing an Executive Order, commanded the 1948 scene on the spice men's front.

Aiding in the fight for a m

Truman Issues Order

Later, President Truman issue an order directing Defense Seen tary Forrestal to eliminate racis segregation within the Armo Forces. Early in the year Ser Robert Taft in a letter to the committee Against Jim Crow in Mittary Service and Training, diclared that he supported the platfor a mixed Army.

In August, Secretary of the Army Kenneth C. Royall promise to experiment with a mixed Arm unit.

AFRO Fights for ROTE

In February, the AFRO expension laws are by-passed by the amy in the matter of ROTC unit of 17 land-grant schools, had no ROTC units, althous ROTC is one of the basic requirements of all unit-grant colleges.

Following this expose, Morg State College, Southern Units atty, and Florida A. and M. Clege were among those grant

tional Air Exposition at diewiMich. and 2nd Lt. John E Rudde
23, of Pacudah, Ky., was the fircolored man to be commissioned
by the Marine Corps.

S/Sgt. George H. Dupard of the
558 Infantry in Germany properthat colored Americans set upfund to care for illegitimate coared German babies born in Germany.

By IREZZVANT W. ANDERSON

Courter Stoff Writer). Thereill Be Some Changes Madel/

NDEPENDENCE is the name of a town in Missour the town where Harry S. Truman was born . . Son how, the very idea of the name of his birthplace has itself in with the way the thirty-second President of 1 United States is running his office. Many small thin

point to this. F'r example, th is the ultimatum handed t National Military Establishin on killing its noticy of racial seg gation. Sure, we know it was outspoken Secretary of Defense Louis A. Johnson of West Virginia, a former head of the American Legion, who gave the direct order, but it was Harry S. Truman's doing and climaxed a 6 program carefully plotted way back in 1948, and which was stymied then only because a certain brother of color spoke out at the wrong time - from a political

standpoint. All along we've said it would happen, now it has. Item two in this Presidential scheme of things for the benefit of the little fellow is that national health program which means good for the man down under, although it is being fought tooth and nail by those whose "take" will be reduced thereby, and

they're the you-know-who-we-means. Those who si in the scoffers' seats have something to think about now What we mean by that caption at the head of this column is that probably Louis A. Johnson is now going to the word along to his buddles in the huge America on that this "race discrimination stuff has got to go nd then the Legion will take the right step and integral Negro vets fully and without distinction . . . Then, i might even be able to absorb the American Veterans Committee only absolutely non-biased vet organization the United States . . . Yes, there may be some change

Non-Segregation At Maxwell Montgomery people have received with commerciable calm the recent news of

hon-discrimination, the President is backing up this nation's stated policy of respect and friendship for all peoples, regardless of race, color or religion.

But even when Southerners view the matter calmy and with every effort at fairness, the immediacy of the Maxwell change-over in social pattern is hard to take. It requires the best in our religion, the highest in our character, the deepest in our Americanism.

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Commission.

written consent in advance before he may hire any alien on an airveterans of World War II who are craft or aircraft parts project. He must also have written consent before he hires any individual alien or otherwise, on any top secret or secret project.

Written consent in advance before Mr. Brown will continue to serve weterans of World War II who are seeking reemployment rights under the Act of 1940.

commercial appeal Chicago Daily or otherwise, on any top secret of secret project secret project

run down through all subcontracts on armed services jobs with excep-tions made only for "standard comiercial supplies or for raw mate-

The contract clause, will become ffective July 1.

In its new regulations, the armed services also provides that a contractor on a Federal job must furnish loyalty information to the contracting department (War, Navy or Air Force) about any of his workers, "and reports regarding any subversive activities."

Employment restrictions with report to any contract alegarities.

ect to any contract classified atomic energy restricted" will be for employment because of race, creed, color or national origin; and further agrees to insert the foregoing provision in all subcontracts hereunder except subcontracts for

standard commercial supplies and for raw materials."

The Walsh-Healy Public Con-tracts Act, affecting all jobs of over \$10,000, is to be written tightly into future agreements, and rulings by the Secretary of Labor regarding the law made binding.

ATTY. S. JOE BROWN APPOINTED VETERANS'

RIGHTS COMMITTEEMAN

2 he Source State of Habor Maurice J.

Tobin announced the appointment of Att. S. Joe Brown of Des Moines as a volunteer Veterans' Reemployment Righs Committeeman with the Bureau of Veteran Reemployment Rights under the Selective Service Act of 1948.

Mr. Brown has served as a volun-

teer committeeman under the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940 in this area for the past seven years. Mr. Brown's duties as a volunteer Committeeman will be to assist the returning veterans in securing a proper reinstatement to their pre-service positions, upon request to advise employers of their responsibil-ities under the law, and to advise aid down by the Atomic Energy employer, labor, veteran or other interested groups of the reemployment To safeguard the national se-provisions of the Selective Service

AGAINST THE ATLANDIC PAGE The American people must be warred that the Atlantic act is a tool of war its announced purpose is to counter the chreat of possible Russian aggression, but there is little ubt that as a weapon, it can be used more effectively ainst the democratic forces of this country than against e Red Army. The President should be warned that those who wrote the proposed treaty, prepared a political suicide ote for him and for all that he stood for in the elections. he St. Louis Argus is therefore opposed to the Atlantic act.

This proposed treaty, by its obligations imposed upon

ember-nations, would involve the United States in every uch a course would profe fetal to this or thy other power, to matter how great. The Russians have charged that the act is an American attempt to rule the world. But the ruth appears to be that by taking sides in every quarrel, he United States shall more nearly accomplish its own ruin han world dominion.

Make no mistake about it, the Atlantic Pact is a product

that sick world where maddened propaganda and mobilizmoney declared Thomas Dewey President of the United ates. In that fantastic world where Wall Street, the Dixieats and the hucksters found an American nation opposed liberty and progress, the Atlantic Pact is a logical thing. ut in the world where the American people voted for Har-Truman who stood up for Civil Rights, Labor and Peace,

It is undoubtedly true that the Dixiecrat-Republican group which dominates the Congress, will not support oreign policy directed to the realities of resconstruction and eace. Their foreign policy must of necessity, partake of heir bigoted and narrowly selfish mentality, currently enaged in destroying public housing, health insurance and the tegrity of democracy. But President Truman has made a the way to lasting peace. The point has been reached here the gigantic hoax that the tools of war in the hands

The President should realize that if he allows his politial enemies to gush him past this point, he will bear the lame for having committed this nation to a senseless war. But if the Administration confuses the propaganda world with the world in which it was elected by the people, then he people must speak for themselves. Perhaps, herein the ultimate test of democracy, that the people must ale themselves when their elected government is paralyzed

by the mobilized power of a common enemy.

We therefore appeal to the people to stand and fight upin this line. Further retreat can gain neither time nor greater strength. We must strike now, with letter, with mass meetings, with demonstrations. Somehow the will of he people must be invoked against the Atlantic Pact and he state of mind which produced such a thing. The people nust win this battle here and now, or accept a needless trial v atomic fire.

WISH CONGRESS DEMANDS ABOLITION SECREGATION IN ARMED SERVIC

WASHINGTIN, May 6- Special) -The Fresident's Com race. nittee on Equality of Treatment in the armed Services was The order is expected to bring old Monday April 25 by a leading payabelegist Dr. Alfred sharp protests from Southern old Monday, April 25, by a leading psychologist. Dr. Alfred congressmen who tried last year J. Marrow, that "there is need for immediate institution of a to write into the peacetime firm, unequivocal and enforced policy abolishing racial segre. Selective Service Act a provision of troops gation in very branch, and on every level of the armed ser requiring segregation of troops rices."

Level and on every level of the armed ser in all-Negro and all-white units.

Ending racial discrimination

Dr. Marrow, speaking for the Committee on Community nterrelations, a psychological research division of the American Jewish Congress, asserted that the "policy of equal treat ent can make no compromise with the policy of segregation legregation itself, constitutes unequal treatment. halfway policy of the President that there Committee get measures, toward de-segregation are isadequate and cause more harm than good."

In his testimony before the president's committee, Dr. gard to race, color, religion, or and camps rather than rely on repairs from the installations and opportunity for all persons sible, that is, from the installations gard to race, color, religion, or and camps rather than rely on repairs.

iced by the armed service, in addition to the humilation, normally intrinsic in such treatment, there is the additional humiliation that the policy is being imposed by a department of the government; that it is official segregation.

Dr. Marrow quoted from a study published last year in Negro leaders protested that he Journal of Psychology, based on a poll of 849 social scien- the latter clause would permit the ists. The study showed that 90% of the of the scientists quer- nitely in complying with the ied were of the opinion that enforced segregation was detri-der. Johnson's memorandum mental and has similar psychological effect on the members parently is intended to meet that of the ssegregating group.

the quality of available facilities, may be expected to develop feelings of inferiority and insecurity, self doubt, a feeling of writing by May 1 just what not belonging anywhere.

Asserting that Negro-white segregation also has severe to the member of the modiscrimination policy and what further

effects on the whites. Dr. Marrow said that the study showed steps they are planning. the segregating group develops "guilt feelings, dissociation" Tech department is of moral values, and various disturbances in the sense of re-

day ordered the Army, Navy, and Air Force to report within 10 days what they have done to c ry out President fruman's 9-month-old proclamation banning racial disrimination in the armed forces. Jun 16-21-4 He spelled out the President's portunity for appointment, adeneral policy with a detailed vancement, professional improvement, for forbidding the services ment, and promotion," Johnson restrict Negroes to segregated said in a memorandum to Army nits or to particular kinds of Secretary Kenneth C. Royall, Air Force Secretary W. Stuart Sympty. ington, and Navy Secretary John

e yesterday. Story on Page 2

A move to put an antisegrega-Southern Protests Expected.

L. Sullivan.

plank in the long-range no bill drew fire in the Sen-"Some units may continue to be manned with Negro personnel; 'All individuals, regardless of however, all Negroes will not necessarily be assigned to Negro Discrimination

units. Qualified Negro persontype of position vacancy in organizations, without regard to

Ending racial discrimination in the military services is part

Order First Issued July 26.

Truman issued an executive indication of that fact.

He said the policy "shall be put ports from top generals. efficiency or morale."

criticism

He instructed the three s

steps can and should be made in the light of this policy," he said.

Truman's original order established a seven-member commitee, headed by former Solicitor General Charles Fahy, to study the discrimination problem and make recommendations to Defense Secretary.

The committee met privately with Symington, Royall, and Sullivan March 28. Informed sources said all three secretaries re ported "marked progress" to ward abolishing discrimination

to move in the task of removing racial discrimination from Army, Navy and Air Force.

In a personal appearance before the Committee on Monday, April 25 Elmer W. Henderson, Director o ACHR, warned that top generals and admirals, expert at camouflage and smoke screening during the war, will use the same tactics in defeating the President's Order on Equality in the Armed Services. He charged that these top generals of Truman's civil-rights program, had resisted the President's policy and cited the recent directive of Secretary of Defense Johnson as an

He further recommended that the its information

quired to effectuate any neces-South and the effect it has had in sary changes without impairing weakening the Armed Services.

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Secretary of Defense Johnson to submirity from 10 May 6 their respective plans to end facial discrimination. President Truman bid Congress in his civil rights or anti-discrimination rights message of Feb 2, 1948; mendments to the draft bill. "I have instructed the Secretary They were snowed under. In all of Defense to take steps to have these cases, as in the case of an the remaining instances of dis-discrimination rider to the

anti-discrimination Air Force were ordered by amendments to the bill reviving retary of Defense Johnson to Selective Service those were shouted down.

In the Senate, La Try North Dakota), submitted sever the remaining instances of discontinuation rider to the rimination in the armed forces housing bill some days ago and eliminated as rapidly as possible."

The issue came up in Congress many times last year. The House rejected by a 5 to 1 vote a proposal by Adam Powell, Democrat from New York City, to prohibit

Secretary Johnson and Town of the armed Secretary Johnson and Town Issue consideration be endangered.

racial discrimination in the armed Secretary Johnson has implied forces. A similar Powell amend that, to prevent distinity in the ment applying to the Air Force armed forces, the new orders will was defeated by a 7 to 1 vote. still sanction some all-Negro and A third Powell proposal—to some all-white units. Last year bar Foreign Economic Aid con Proposed that any description. WASHINGTON, D. C.—The American Council on Human Rights color"—went down by a 2½ to composed only of members of his color"—went down by a 2½ to composed only of members of his color"—went down by a 2½ to composed only of members of his color"—went down by a 2½ to composed only of members of his color of these three votes overwhelmingly rejected in the Armed Services

gal penalties only as a last re-ort. Half a dozen other states ave FEPO laws; still other tates have taken the first steps

In Military Be Rescinded

The Afgement Department, Veterans of Foreign Wars, has called on President Terman to Jessing his called order banking segregation in the armed forces.

The VFW contends it will hinder nlistments in the South.

The VFW department acted in a esolution at the quarterly conference of the council of administraion July 9. The resolution was igned by W. D. Partlow, Jr., department commander, and attested by T. H. Walker, department adutant.

THE RESOLUTION reads as fol-

"Whereas, several months ago Hon. Harry S. Truman, President of the United States and commander in chief of the armed forces, saw fit to issue an order banning segregation in the armed forces, and

"Whereas, parts of these armed forces are stationed within the boundaries of the state of Alabama,

"Whereas, the state of Alabama geographically a Southern state, has adopted certain laws regarding segregation, and such laws are not contradictory to the Constitution of the United States, and

"Whereas, the veterans of Alabama are more interested in our national defense than any other citizen or group of citizens, and we be-lieve that a majority of the men cur-rently serving in the armed forces

and reenlistments in the armed forces from Southern states, thereby jeopardizing our national de-fense.

"NOW THEREFORE be it re-mived that the Department of Alabama, Veterans of Foreign Wars strongly disapproved and condemn this policy of the President of the United States and considers that i is not to the best interest of tional defense and tends to agitat misunder standing between the races, and that the Department of Alabama, Veterans of Foreign Wars go on record as requesting President Truman to rescind the above mentioned order until such non-segregational customs are voluntar-

ily accepted throughout these United States.

"Be it further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be sent to toward enacting one or have one all Southern departments of vetterns of similar application. ASKS of our congressional delegation, to the governor, the attorney general the various newspapers and except dent Truman.

filian assistant for THE PROPERTY OF THE COURSE STREET avans had been paos adviser to Kenneth Il Secretary of the Army
Mr. Royall's departure yester
Today, simultaneously with
Ivans' appointment, the NaMilitary Establishment
his report on "The Negro Army.

report is primarily a statistical nalysis of the use of Negrower throughout the Army data on "several significant of Negro participation in

vice. Evens' report stated that gro soldier was now servi e than 250 units in eh of the force except to e Advocate General's Depar Inspector General's Depar and the Veterinary Corps. ting the progress of Negroes army in the last ten years, report stated that Negro th in 1939 was five officers bout 4,500 enlisted men, comwith 1,173 officers, and enlisted men today.

gro enlisted men and enlisted are serving in all bran ervice in grades, up to a g master sergeant, and ave entered the Army fr

Davis ratired last July years in the service, the gro ever to attain the

without regard t

Secretary Louis Johnson last week promoted carry of Army to the position of civilian assistant to the VASHINGTON Evans civilian aide to the

secretary of Defense.

This move elevated the office in GTON, April 28-Louis charge of advising in racial matcretary of Defense, to ters from the subordinate level of e Army to the higher, overall efense level and placed Mr. Evans nd his staff in position to assist the handling of these affairs in I of the three services as well In the top level defense or

In the hop nization.
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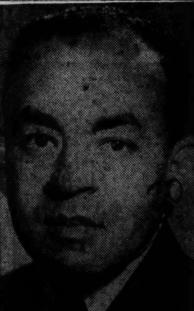
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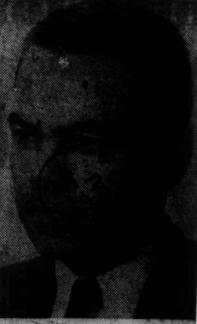
addition to his duties as as-nt to the Secretary of Defense wans has been designated by they Johnson to work closely wil he Parsonne olic Beard of the National Military esta lishment for uniform procedures and practices in the three military departments to source quality of treatment and opportunity for all military personnel."

This appointment came close on Sourcetary Johnson's

the heels of Secretary Johnson's recent directive to the armed services requesting the Army, Navy and Force to examine their to him this week on plans for implementation of President Truman's executive order banning military discrimina-



LIEUT.-COLONEL ROBINSON ... Evans' top aids



JAMES C. EVANS

one of the Mr. Evans was promoted to the

position of civilian assistant to the Secretary of Defense recently by Defense Secretary Louis Johnson from his old job as civilian tide to the Secretary of the Arm

ceretary Johnson's news sistant was vice president of West Virginia State College back in 1942. While there, Mr. Evans had served as director of the U. S. Army's Fifth Service Command Signal Corps School, which had been installed on the school's campus to produce radio mechanics.

Even-tempered, taciturn Mr. Evans will make a fitting assistant to Secretary Johnson's staff.

o Integrate Future of Lockbourne Undecided, Sees Risks

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Declaring columbus, Ohio — Declaring hat the nation must move forward ithout discrimination, James C. wans, civilian assistant to the scretary of Defense, says he can be an interest of Defense, says he can be an interest of the columbus of the columbus of the columbus Community or the Columbus Col

church. William Brooks, attorney, was master of ceremonies.

Alpha Rho Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity sponsored the forum.

Integration Faces Hazards

Mr. Evans explained that there is nothing official regarding the future of Lockbourne Air Base. He admitted that there would be risks, mazards and casualties in the goal to displace discrimination, but declared that goals in life are not attained otherwise.

Mr. Evans is associate executive secretary of the President's Committee on Equality of Opportunity in the Armed Services. He remarked, "We are not satisfied with the tatus quo system."

The man from the Pentagon asserted that he had no fear of white officers blocking the advancement of colored men. The teaching of arotherhood was his solution for making an integrated program elick.

He also stated that he would rather have the books closed on the 332nd Fighter Squadron's record than have it marred with men who did not wish to serve.

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Military

similar activities.

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erhead installations" as bein

of the "overhead" type.

"Equal Opportunities" Mr. Johnson's directive stated

that it was the policy of the Mili-Military Opportunities tary Establishment that "there shall be equality of treatment and armed services without regard to Ordered for Negro origin." NGTON, Abril 20 Louis

To bring about the "uniform apitto effect today a policy of the following "supplemental poli-

o effect today policy of cies' were listed:
"To meet the requirements of the services for qualified individntially enlarged employment op-uals, all personnel will be considmities for Negroes in the ered on the basis of individual merit and ability and must qualify Authough in general applying according to the prescribed stand-

rmed forces, Mr. Johnson also race, will be accorded equal opcadened it with a directive that portunity for appointment, ad within ten days what they have scancy in organization or over-National Military Establishment.

ead installations without regard "Some units may continue to be in the armed forces, manned with Negro personnel; Specialists in these matters re-however, all Negroes will not nec-dent's general policy with a detailed the word "organizations" essarily be assigned to Negro tailed directive forbidding the the Secretary of Defens. The the key term in Mr. Johnson's units. Qualified Negro personnel services to restrict Negroes to shall be assigned to fill any type They pointed out that Army pol-of position vacancy in organizaey heretofore has limited such tions or overhead insemployment of Negroes, other than without regard to race

Kacial Keport f the administrative or super isory sort, covering such "housekeeping" tasks as laundry and nessage work, commissaries and The addition of "organizations to the type of positions for which Negroes will now be qualified WASHINGTON broadens their opportunities, it is understood, to any and all military vester and Air Force to report within

At the same time, Mr. Johnson 10 days what they have done to did not end segregation of Negro carry out President Truman's however, all Negroes will not necmepresentative Albert J. Engel,
units, but he put this practice on nine-month-old proclamation banessarily be assigned to Negro Michigan, ranking Republican
member of the House Armed Serve permissive, rather than a man- ning racial discrimination in the units. Qualified Negro personnel member of the House Armed Serv-Armed Forces.

The Secretary directed the general policy with a detailed ditions . . . rmy, Navy and Air Force to rective forbidding the services to tudy their present personnel polirestrict Negroes to segregated race." les to determine "what forward units or to particular kinds of steps can and should be made" to- duty. ward greater equality.

The services were given until manned with Negro personnel; however all Negroes will not May 1 to project in detail how they would carry out the general order. units. Qualified Negro personnel Today's directive also went to shall be assigned to fill any type all-white units. he chairman of the personnel of position vacancy in organizacolicy board, Thomas Reid, who thous without regard to race." rcises "full executive authority"

opportunity for all persons in the Equal Opportunity out regard to race, color, religion Office Building and the Capitol.

last July 26, specifically to the "All individuals, regardless of issued orders to the Army, Navy and Air Force today to report meet that criticism. osdened it with a directive that portunity for appointment, ad-within ten days what they have lalified Negroes should be as ment, professional improved one to carry out President Trument, promotion and retention in man's nine-month-old proclamater their respective components of the tion banning racial discrimination ber committee, headed by former National Military Establishment.

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Navy John L. Sullivan.

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The order is expected to bringtaxpayers should buy gasoline a protests from Southern Congress tires for government employees to of the Personnel Policy Board. "Some units may continue to be men who tried last year to write transact their personal business or It charged each department to

Ending racial discrimination in gotten out of hand again."

program which Southerners are situation. fighting bitterly.

that there shall be equality of propriations subcommittees," treatment and opportunity for all said them. The subcommittees," persons in the armed forces with- In walking between the House or national origin."

"Stalling" Charged

ason, Secretary of Defense, or plication" of this over-all policy, Secretary Asks Report in into effect as rapidly as possible, sines won't run over me." having due regard to the time 10 Days on Execution required to effectuate any necessary changes without impairing of Truman Instructions efficiency or morale."

Negro leaders protested that the latter clause left the door open for the armed forces to "stall" in-President Truman's "equality of schools, promotion, assignment to retary of Defense Louis Johnson's memoranreatment and opportunity" order specific duties, etc.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Sector the armed forces to "stall" indefinitely in complying with the order. Mr. Johnson's memoranissued orders to the Army News dum apparently was intended to

> study the discrimination problem and make recommendations to services to restrict Negroes to Messrs. Symington, Royall and segregated units or to particular Spllivan on March 28. Informed "All individuals, regardless of sources said all three Secretaries reported "marked progress" to-

> ment, professional improvement, that time that the Air Force would promotion," Mr. Johnson said in a break up tis all-Negro 332d Fighter memorandum to Secretary of the Group and distribute its pilots and Army Kenneth C. Royall, Secre-enlisted men throughout the servtary of the Air Force W. Stuart and employees whose justification Symington and Secretary of the for using official cars between their domiciles and places of employ-Negro Units Not Banned ment felies wholly or substantially on received free"Some units may continue to be use of personal convenience," he

without regard to support of Congress."

into the peace-time Selective Serv- to indulge in their private pleas-report in writing by May 1 what ice Act a provision requiring segre- ures," he said. He added that he progress has been made to comply gation of troops into all Negro and personally had tried "six or seven with policy established by Presiyears ago" to put a stop of the dent Truman and supplemented "abuse" but that "recently it has by Johnson

the military services is part of Representative Flood had saida Pentagon source as a possible President Truman's civil-rights the use of government cars on answer to protests that President official business was a bad enough Truman's order of July 26, 1948

"There are two blocks of limou-Mr. Truman issued an executive sines, with chauffeurs and some-order on July 26, 1948, declaring times footmen, waiting outside the it is "the policy of the President ers who are testifying before ap-

he added, he frequently has to "jump on the curbstone or into the shrubbery so some of these He said the policy "shall be put bureaucrats in their fancy limou-

Taken to Remove Il Discrimination

Account of Steps

Post R. sorter

Defense Seretary Louis Johnson yeste day gave the armed services 10 days to rerace, will be accorded equal oppor-ward abolishing discrimination. Obeyed President Truman's tunity for appointment, advance-Mr. Symington announced at command to eliminate race port how well they have discrimination.

Johnson issued a firmly worded directive defining the intent of the President's executive order of nine months ago. in which restrict tion of Negroes to segregated units or certain types of duty was forbidden.

The Defense Secretary foretold an end to such practices with the statement that "qualified Negro personnel shall be assigned to fill any type of position vacancy in organizations or overhead installations without regard to race."

Report by May 1

He sent his memorandum to "There is no reason why the the Secretaries of the Army, Navy and Air Force, and to the chairman S

The deadline was interpreted by

This was said by an Army pokesman to be one of the more significant sections of the order.

He pointed out that Negroes previously have been assigned 'mostly in technical jobs" with whites. There were some "line anits" in World War II, to which both Negro and white officers were assigned in command of Negro enlisted men.

Other Events in Brief WASHINGTON April 20 —(P)
The armed services have been politary Segregation Banfield

What Branches Have Done

About Truman's Order

Secretary Tells Leaders To

Regard To Negroes

Describe In Writing Within

10 Days The Situation In

By DAYTON MOORE

WASHINGTON, April 20.-De-

United Press Staff Writer

fense Scoretary Louis Johnson

Wednesday ordered the Army,

Navy and Air Force to report within 10 days what they have done to

carry out President Truman's nine-

ordered to come up by May 1 with their plans toward ending racial discrimination.

Secretary of Defense Louis has the generals and advarals—was going Johnson made public today and April 6 directive which laid down had issued a directive nine months ago ment, and opportunity" tegerd-aimed against racial discrimination in the less of race, color, religion or armed forces. What have you done about it?

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and "determine what forward Army Kenneth C. Royall—resigned to return steps can and should be made." to his law practice at Goldsboro, N. C. He

of the services for qualified in-most insistent one this month dividuals, all personnel will be considered on the basis of individual merit and ability and ULU must qualify according to the prescribed standards for enlistment, attendance at school, promotion, assignment to specific

duties, etc.
2. All individuals, regardless of race, will be accorded equal opportunity for appointment, advancement, professional improvement, promotion and retention in Defense Chief Wants their respective components of the national military establish-

ment. 3. Some units may continue to be manned with Negro personnel; however, all Negroes will not necessarily be assigned to IT'S PART OF CIVIL RIGHTS Negro units. Qualified Negro personnel shall be assigned to fill any type of position vacancy in organizations or overhead installations without regard to race. Overhead installations are those devoted to administrative and service tasks.

The third supplemental policy broadened somewhat the army' policy of assigning Negroes. The Army's policy does not contain the reference to assigning Ne-

rective forbidding the services to sought by negro leaders. restrict negroes to segregated units or to particular kinds of duty.

Equal Chances For All

"All individuals, regardless of race, will be accorded equal op-portunity for appointment, advancement, professional improvement and promotion," Johnson said in a memorandum to Army Secretary Kenneth C. Royall, Air Force Secretary W. Stewart Symington and Navy Secretary John L. Sulli-

"Some units may continue to be manned with negro personnel; how-

Order Issued July 26

Mr. Truman issued an executive For uniformity, he announced had submitted three letters of resignation, order July 26, 1948, declaring it is three "supplemental policies": one in January, one in February and the there shall be equality of treatment and opportunity for all persons in the armed forces without regard to race, color, religion or natio

He said the policy shall be into effect as rapidly as possible, having due regard to the time required to effectuate any necessary changes without impairing efficiency or morale."

Negro leaders protested that the latter clause would permit the armed forces to "stall" indefinitely in complying with the order.

Johnson's memorandum parently was intended to meet that criticism.

He instructed the secretaries to report to him "in writing" by May just what their departments have done to implement the nondiscrimination policy and what further steps they are planning.

"Each department is directed to examine its present practices and determine what forward steps can and should be made in the light of this policy," he said.

Unit To Be Broken Up

President Truman's original order established a seven-member committee, headed by former Solicitor General Charles Fahy, to study the discrimination problem and make recommendations to the defense secretary.

The committee met privately with Symington, Royall and Sullivan March 28. Informed sources aid all three secretaries reported 'marked progress" toward abolishing discrimination.

month-old proclamation banning Symington announced at that racial discrimination in the armed time the Air Force would break up its all-negro 332nd Fighter Group and distribute its pilots and He spelled out the President's enlisted men throughout the servgeneral policy with a detailed di- icc. Such a move had long been



two-day inspection of recrea- treatment there is the additional

The committee returned to Washington by plane without Quoting from a study based on

morning with Maj. Gen. William enforced segregation has detrimental psychological effect on the members of the segregated groups Maj. Gen. Roderick R. Allen, even though equal facilities are commander of the Third Armored provided.

from three Negro training bat- fects on the whites, Dr. Marrow talions, and inspected the leader- said that the study showed the ship school, food-service school, segregating group develops "guilt feelings, dissociation of moral and the Armored Force school in values and various disturbances the afternoon.

Members of the committee are Chairman Charles Fahy, Charles P. Browning, Worthington Thompson, E. W. Kenworthy, and Joe H. B. Evans, all of Washingon: John S. Sengstacke, Chicago and Dwight R. G. Palmer, New

stitutes unequal treatment: halfway measure toward de-segregation are inadequate and cause

Dr. Marrow pointed out that Seven members of President when a policy of segregation is practiced by the armed service, Truman's Committee on Famility "in addition to the humiliation the Armed Forces completed which is normally intrinsic in such tional facilities, mess halls, and quarters for Negro troops at Fort Knox yesterday The committee coturned to the government," that it is official segregation.

making a statement on their a poll of 849 social scientists, Dr. marrow said that 90% of the The group conferred yesterday scientists were of the opinon that

Division.

Asserting, that colore-white They also talked with troops segregation, also has adverse efthat colore-white in the sense of reality."

more harm than good.

Hurts Whites, Too

With the other services the two-thirds of the nation in education, employment, housing, recreation, avelland places of dublic accommedation. Roy Wilkins, assistant secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, last Monday Truman Committee Told President Truman's Committee Told Pre told President Truman's Commit-GRANTING OF RATINGS tee on Equality of Treatment and Opportunity in the Opportunity in the Armed Servi-kins pointed out, it must be recog-hoped no such special screening

there is need for "the immediate tee to a number of organizations institution of a firm, unequivocal requesting their views regarding and enforced policy abolishing the racial practices of the Army, racial segregation in every branch and on every level of the armed Since the announcement by Secservices. Mr. Wilkins expressed and opportunity in the armed services, Mr. Wilkins expressed that "the policy of equal treatment can make no equa

abolition of segregation, which "inevitably connotes discrimination, lack of equality and denial of opportunity.

"If the Secretary of Defense really intends to implement a policy of equality of opportunity,' said the assistant NAACP secretary, "a necessary concomitant step is the abolition of segrega-

DISCUSS SERVICES

Discussing the three services separately, Mr. Wilkins said the Navy was implementing its policy of nonsegregation by increasing its small number of colored officers in the Regular Navy, reportedly assigning some colored officers aboard ship according to rank, preparing to graduate its first colored officer from the Naval Academy, completing training of the first colored naval aviator, and increasing the number of colored men in regular service.

With respect to the Air Force, Mr. Wilkins expressed concern over the reported breaking up of the 332nd Fighter Wing at Lockbourne Air Base and the distribution of its personnel to other units.

Directing attention to reports that colored officers in the Air Force are in lower ranks than the duties they are performing call for, Mr. Wilkins said if these officers are transferred to other WASHINGTON, D. C.—(NNPA)

The armed services are lagging behind the policy of integration in two-thirds of the nation in educa-

sonnel to determine their "temper-From past experiences, Mr. Wil- mental suitability" He said he by a leading psycholo. The statement was made in rein making the policy and promoofficers will be subjected to the gist, Dr. Alfred J. Marrow, that ply to a request from the committions on the basis of merit.

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Even with all bars removed, as and ranked and assigned in actions there is need for "the immediate tee to a number of organizations".

By VENICE SPRAGGS

members of his Committee groups in which you join all people with the Armed Serice appointed last September to would appoint a "small staff" of the Order barring racial discriice order barring r

mittee to proceed along the lines records, orders and documents of his Executive Order issued last which may be necessary to the July prohibiting racial discrimination in the armed services. The bility.

President then saled the Negro sides to bring in such mittees of the probability. President then asked the Com- Negro aides in the various arm-

der declared it to be his policy the Navy and Lt. Benjamin O. "that there shall be equality o Davis, Jr. of the Air Force. treatment and opportunity for all The Committee is expected to persons in the armed services hold its second meeting in the very without regard to race, color, re-near future by which time it is ligion or rational origin." Subse-likely that staff personnel will quently, the President told a press have been selected. Offices for conference that the order en the Committee will be in the Pen-

annot have equality of oppor- and Granger, other members of unity without elimination of seg-the Committee are Charles Luck-

rimination in the military forces must be ended, is broad enough

which has to do with the fair, treaament of military personnel.

Discounting the possibility of WASHINGTON—President Truman has had his going to establish a principle of first official meeting with setting people up in composite

The seven-man committee, head-mittee had not decided whether or ed by Charles Fahy, former Soli-not it would hold public hearings citor-General, met with the Pres- on treatment of personnel in the ident at the White House. They various branches of the service. were joined there by Defense He added that neither had the sub-

Secretary James Forrestal, Army ject of hearings been foreclosed.

Secretary Kenneth Royall, Navy Secretary John L. Sullivan and Air Secretary Stuart Symington.

The White House meeting was the initial session in a two-day conference during which the Committee met with top personnel and their aides in the Departments of Defense, Army, Navy and Air sonnel from all branches of the Defense, Army, Navy and Air sonnel from all branches of the Forces. 5.2. 1.2.2.49
Following the conference, Chairing on policies and procedures man Fahy told reporters that Mr. The Committee, may also request Truman had instructed the Come these officials to bring in such

mittee to report to him following ed services were among the pertheir exhaustive investigation.

Reviews Policy

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The President's Executive Or of the Army, Lt. Dennis Nelson of

visioned the ultimate end of segre tagon for the time being. Chairgation in the military services. man Fahy, however, made it clear Mr. John Sengstacke, Editor that the group would operate inPublisher of the CHICAGO DE dependent of any of the branches TENDER, and Lester Granger, Ex. of the service except as the Com-ecutive Secretary of the National mittee deemed it necessary to call Urban League, are the two Negre in officials for consultation on asmembers of the seven-man group pects of the program as it operates.

Grange said that he and Mr in their departments.

Sengstacke are agreed that you In addition to Fahy, Sengstacke

man, President of Lever Brothers;

Granger said the initial charge A. J. Donahue, President of Donain the President's Executive Or hue and Co.; William E. Stevenson der, pointing out that in order to President of Oberlin College; and achieve the "highest level of Dwight R. G. Palmer, President of democracy" in America racial dis-General Cable Company.



orces See Improvement

WASHINGTON — (ANP) — The President's Commiton Equality of Treatment in the Armed Services was formed this week by heads of the army and air forces that

me progress is being made toward integrating Negroes to these services.

In a closed hearing, last Monday,
Stuart Symington, secretary of Air Force, told the committee cess was announced this week by racial segregation is being elichardes Fahy, chairman of the ated in the air force. He report- committee. the 332nd Fighter group will be E. W. Kenworthy was named ex-oken up and Negro pilots and en-ecutive secretary. He was grad-uated from Oberlin College. He is a newspaperman and a post-war-

the service.

Col. Benjamin O. Davis, Jr., who can Embassy in London. Joseph H. B. Evans, graduate of the Uniockbourne Air Force base in Ohio versity of Michigan with a wide mee his return from overseas duty background of experience in Govclonel when the 332nd fighter group named associate executive secrereaks up.

Army Secretary Kenneth Royall tor public relations and assistant to the subline of the Chi-

id his service was considering tan to the subline of the Chinages in the Gillum Board report sultant to the committee.

Although nothing definite was nev and former solicitor general; trmy it was reported that the top prass" promised to experiment of ass" promised to experiment in orther integration.

Because these hearings are being peld behind closed doors, neither the public relations divisions of frmy, forces, nor the so called 'Fahy ommittee" would make any open, ncial comments for the press.

The committee is commonly callthe "Fahy committee" because is headed by the former solicitors eneral, Charles Fahy. Other members are Lester B. Granger, John H. Sengstacke, Dwight R. G. Pal-William E. Stevenson, A. hue and Charles Luckman.

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retary, National Urban Dwight B. G. Palmer. American Cable Compan E. Stevenson, presiden College; A. J. Dorahue Donahue Sales Corporatio H. Sengstacka, editor and er, Chicago Defender, a Luckman, president, Le ers Company

E. W. KENWORTHY



TRUMAN'S Committee on Equality of Treatment and Opportunity in the Armed Forces is getting a little critical of Navy's mugness over semi-integration. They are looking under the migs and in the closets.

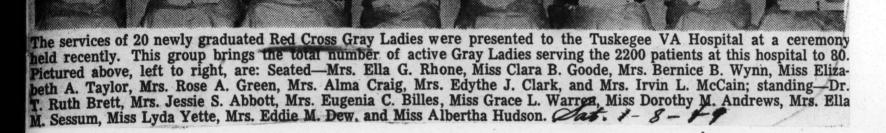
The relation of the segregated Marine Corps and integrated

Navy is debated and will come up for a showdown when the Committee meets this month. Fact that Lt. John Rudder, the lone Negro commissioned officer in Regular Marines, has just resigned will add vigor to investigation. Rudder says he has developed religious scruples, but his marks show apparent disinterest for some reason or other. Marine Corps is worried over his resignation and wishes he would withdraw it. We can add that race discrimination, if it exists in Rudder's case, is going to be hard to prove, but the Corps has dirty hands in other segregated areas.

In Air Forces, there is difference of opinion among the young Negro Lieutenants, Captains and Majors. Some, a few, are for the proposed integration for Air Forces, others are against it unless there is some guarantee it won't affect their justifiable if selfish determination to get ahead in rank and pay. There has been some by-passing and tattling out of school and if you look you may note some tightening of leave and flight-destination approvals at Lockbourne.

Navy meanwhile announces (and you can't laugh it off) another Negro Regular officer bringing the total to 8,-Ensign Ellen Stricklin, a Nurse assigned to St. Albans hospital in Long Island. Also, Midshipman Jesse L. Brown, has .completed his primary flight training and is actually flying and training with the white boys at Quonset Point, R. I., with the 32nd Fighter Squadron. Furthermore he did flight training in Jacksonville, Fla., and Norfolk,

Incidentally, when Navy Steward Thad Davis' baby needed expert surgical attention, he was flown to Bethesda Naval Hospital near D. C. last week and Thad was flown from his ship in San Juan to meet wife and baby there. It's still Navy's round.





Capt. Blanche L. Scott, of Washington, D. C. commanding of the A. Negro Women's Corpa Detachment A, 1262nd Area Service Unit, Fort Did N/J. which was activated unit 15. Official C. S. Army Photo)

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COL. WEST HAMILTON RETIRES AFTER 45 YEARS

Washington, D.C. -(NNPA) Colonel West A.Hamilton, an infantry reserve officer was retired from the Army last Thursday after forty-five years of service.

A hand-lettered scroll was awarded to Colonel Hamilton by the Department of the Army in recognition of his lengthy and faithful service. The presentation to him was made by General Collins J. Lawton, deputy chief of staff, in the absence of General Omar H. Bradley, Chief of Staff, who had a prior speaking engagement.

The scroll was signed by General Bradley. Its

text follows:

"It affords me great satisfaction to sign this testimonial in recognition of the esteen which your unique service in the Army so richly deserves.

"By your exemptary leadership and initiative as an officer, and by your devotion to Zmerican ideals as evidenced particularly by your vigorous efforts in support of the vital Reserve Program and the high standards of performance you have achieved in your period of forty-five years of association with the Army, you have indeed made a signal contribution to the nation and the military service."

FORMER PROFESSOR

Colonel Hamilton is a former professor of Military Science and Tactics at Morgan State College and Prairie View A.& M.College, Prairie View, Texas.

A native of Washington, Colonel Hamilton began his military career with the National Guard in 1905 and served in all enlisted grades from private to Master Sergeant. He was commissioned in 1913 and served with the First Separate (Infantry) Battalion on the Mexican Border in 1916 and the 372nd Infantry Regiment in France during World War I.

He joined the Officers Reserve Corps in 1919 and was promoted to Major in the Reserve Corps in 1924. He served with the 428th Infantry Regiment Organized Reserves from 1925 to 1941, when he was ordered to active duty with the 266th Infantry Regiment at Fort Devens, Mass. After serving as executive officer and later commanding officer of the regiment, Colonel Hamilton was assigned duties as Professor of military science and tactics at Prairie View, Texas in 1942.

Colonel Hamilton remained at Prairie View until June 1948, except for a brief period as Administrative Inspector, Headquarters 8th Service Command, and 18 months as a member of the Army's Discharge Review Board. He assumed duties at Morgan State College on August 1, 1948.

A large group of relatives and friends witnessed the ceremony. Among them were Colonel Hamilton's Mother, Mrs. Julia West Hamilton, and his wife, his brother and sister-in-law, Mrs. Percival Y. Hamilton, and a group of members of the American Legion.

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to hold them.

and Dan A. Kimball, A.

ges would be made.

ent's Personnel Policy Board.

Mr. Johnson made his April 6

inson Approves Air Force Plan Distribute Negroes Among Units

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES. CON, May 11 Latest services until May I to respond. by the Air Force to con- The army letter was in by April armed service policy on 21, the Air Force's by April 30

equality were approved to- and the navy's shortly after May 1, The Air Force, first to be approved by Mr. Johnson, said it is to deactivate the all-Negro the 159th Field Artillery Battalion, would complete its outlined property air Force, wrote to Secretary Air Force, wrote to Secretary of the 332nd Fighter Wing at Lockbourne, part of the Twenty-fifth Infantry Battalion, Rnow that the order calling for Division at Nara, Japan. Upon his of the 332nd Fighter Wing, a tacforms of April 6 asking equality 1,800 enlisted men and 200 officers, and supported by Scattle and opportunity the latter including eleven army at Lockbourne, part of the 159th Field Artillery Battalion, a committee, headed by Charles Fahy, which is currently investigating at Lockbourne, part of the Twenty-fifth Infantry Fahy, which is currently investigating at Nara, Japan. Upon his gating all phases of discrimination mixing of Negro and white flier throughout the Air Force setu 1947, Lieutenant Rivers was assigned to the 571st Field Artillars and opportunity the latter including eleven army and supported by Scattle Policies. ut regard to race, color, rel-nurses and four Women's Air fense Louis Johnson.

now at the Lockbourne base. Out Senators want to make a fight out of the principal moves in of a total of 21,026 negroes in the of this issue, well, just let them direction is an Air Force or- Air Force, or about 7 per cent of come on. banding the all-Negro 332nd total strength, there are 316 offi- BIG CHALLENGE

er Wing at Lockbourne Air base at Columbus, Ohio. Its officers and men will be disted throughout the service in segregated units, it was stated. other assurance given to Mr. m, it was learned, was that. positions would be open to roes who are individually qualeretary of the Army at that

ering the same April 6 directive are in effect rejected by Mr. conson on the ground that they crat Senators and lily-white integration plan.

Few people know it, but the Air money men of the South are force has been using Negro and integration plan.

Force has been using Negro and white fliers on a full integration plan for a losing battle if they white fliers on a full integration plan for some time at Randolph their responses. Both letters, it really think they are power-plan for some time at Randolph field in Texas.

General opinion is that Negro plan for some time at Randolph fully was already in effect. Force from sending Negro fliers will be accepted without inpolicy was already in effect. Force from sending Negro fliers will be accepted without indicate that additional airmen to so-called white cident at Keesler Field in Mississipbases in D

In his reply to the Army and Top brass
svy, Mr. Johnson fixed a deadline this warning May 25 by which the two servecutive Orders are to provide more details of integration eir plans to conform to the

quality. The services were inon the way out at th ructed to make their replies air bas ough Thomas R. Reid, chairman

Maj. Gen. Charles W. Lawrence, commanding officer of the Inthe National Military Establishdoctrination Division, disclosed ast week that the race, color, religion or natural origin of an airrective to the armed service secman no longer figures in the asteries public on April 20, at signment of airmen here.

time he stated that he inmich time he inmich ti the reports." He gave the clared.

The Courier learned that some Dixiscrat Senators in Washington already have said that "no Negro airmen are going to be allowed" on so-called white air bases in the South. In an effort to make their threat felt throughout the entire defense setup, the Dixlecrats are understood to have said they will make it their ousiness to lead a fight to slash armed forces appropriations.

That is all the Air Force wants or national origin" would be Force officers.

Most of the negro officers are to know. Now, if the Dixiecrat

themselves 20 16-15-4

ern air bases, the Air Force cer-

tent Secretary of the Navy, an- By ROBERT M. RATCLIFFE its integration program and the groups. Navy falling in line, it appeared certain this week that the Army COLUMBUS, Ohio-Dixie-would come up with some type of

pi and several other air fields in

The Air Force integration program will give Negro fliers a break they've been waiting for a long dicted that some of them soon will be flying the Berlin Airlift and piloting overseas ships.

Point, has been assigned to the Eighty-second Airbone Division at Fort Bragg, N. C., pending completion of Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Ga.

Following his graduation from West Hein Lieutenan Rivers served with the Whety-third Infantry Division in the Philippine Islands. In 1946 he was assigned But, this doesn't frighten the Air to the Twenty-fourth Infantry Reg-

come on.

BIG CHALLENGE

Most encouraging part of this protested today against the mixbeing formulated by the Air Force is that most of the Negro fliers scheduled to go to Southern air bases asked for these assignments themselves a complete them as a protested today against the mixbeing formulated by the Air Force forces the telegraphed Secretary of the all-Negro combat unit, 332nd fighter Wing, almost completed.

"As governor of South CaroNavy and Army reports submitted themselves a complete of the serior of

lina and as a veteran of the 82nd May 1 were rejected, and another That, in itself, is a challenge. airborne division I protest against deadline set for "clarifying informa-If Negro airmen are not afraid your action in abolishing the Ne-tion." When he studied the second to ask for assignments to South- gro air units of the air service. reports from these two services,

tainly isn't afraid to send them our military leaders have ad Navy report and again rejected the there... and protect them if it vised, that it is unwise to break Army formula. I would become necessary.

With the Air Force showing that of our armed service in provide policy declaration last week, made it means business in carrying out ing separate units for racial the following proposals:

WASHINGTON - A stern time. They now will be taught rebuke was administered to to participate in the Navy ROTC how to fly jets and it has been prethe Army Department here program. last week as Secretary of De- 4. To promulgate a directive to for the second time, the Army's steward branch who are in all formula for ending racial discrimnation. At the same time, Mr. opportunity to change their rate Johnson accepted a second report to another rating branch. of the Navy Department on this matter.

In rejecting the Army progress petty officers. report, Mr. Johnson said:

FORT RILEY, Kan.-First Lieut, that your proposals in reply to cruit training facility and to in-

the what Acade a West subject (aguelity opportunity without regard to race) still fail to meet the basic intent of Executive Order 9981 and my memorandum of April 6."

> The executive order to which Mr. Johnson referred was issued last all by President Truman and called for equality of threatment and opportunity in the armed serv-

their racial policies and to report to him, by May 1, on what had been done and what the services proposed to do to comply with the

"Experience has taught, and Secretary Johnson accepted the

1. To promulgate a statement of Navy Department's policy regarding minority races.

2. To argument efforts to enlist Negroes in the Navy by assignment of Negro petty officers to duty in the Navy Recruiting Service, ordering qualified Negro reserve officers to active duty to assist in recruitement, and slanting advertisements, posters, films, and pamphlets to attract Negroes to the Navy by use of photographs showing whites and Negroes working together in the Naval service.

3. To exert greater effort to attract qualified Negro students

ense Louis Johnson rejected, insure that all members of the

5. To change the status of chief stewards to that of chief

6. To abandon the present "I am forced to the conclusion separate Negro Marine Corps retegrate the training of Negro recruits with that of whites.

The proposed directive to all ships and stations, setting forth the Navy's revised policy regarding minority races, follows:

"It is the policy of the Navy Department that there shall be equality of treatment and opportunity for all persons in the Navy and Marine Corps without regard to race, color, religion or national origin.

"In their attitude and day to day conduct of affairs, officers and enlisted personnel of the Navy and Marine Corps shall adhere rigidly and impartially to Navy Regulations, in which no distinction is made between individuals wearing the uniform of these services.

"All personnel shall be enlisted or appointed, trained, advanced, or promoted, assigned duty and administered in all respects without regard to race, color, religion or national origin.

"In the utilization of housing, messing, berthing or other facilities, no special or unusual pro-

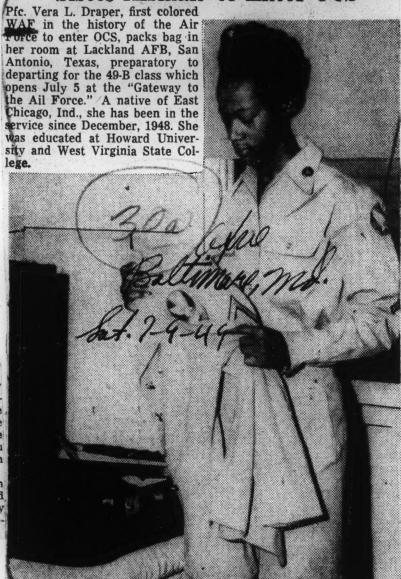
visions will be, made for the accommodation of any minority race."

Secretary Johnson told the Navy that he considered that these proposals meet the "spirit and the intent" of the executive order. He added: "I am pleased to approve your proposals and trust that you will begin their implementation without delay."

The Army repartment was given until Jude 20 to submit a third report in keeping with the policy of the National Defense Estab-

lishment

'Sister Airman' to Enter OCS



White Bride's Will to Be Contested

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In his suit Woods claims that his aged wife had ordered the bank to destroy the codicil in her will which deprived him of her estate estimated at \$20,000.

(Courier Staff Writer)

Which We Dust Off One Westbrook Pegler

FOREWORD: This column is inspired by a column recently en by the above-mentioned Mr. Westbrook Pegler AND a letwritten to this writer by Mr. Westbrook Pegler on Dec. 30, Mr. Pegler's column was written for public consumption; his to me was marked "Confidential"-I have excused myself the obvious violation of Mr. Pegler's confidence by having in him a letter on Jan. 5, informing him that I was comto violate his confidence . . . You, my readers, will under why" as we go along.—Trezzvant W. Anderson. 1-15-49

Not so long ago this column was devoted to a series "The Negro and the Army," in which I endeavored, eatedly, to emphasize the fact that the record of the Army itself was shockingly deficient in possessing to the lack of true knowledge of what Negro soldiers did at the war, as I have contended all along. hat might be considered an even fair picturization of d during the war . . . I found myself brought more th of my own contentions when I read a "confidential" Mr. Pegler—or know of him—and the caustic, blisng pen with which he pens his diatribes (which is what have to call them now) about this and that.

leh involved my favorite subject: the ard of Negro soldiers during World II. . . I repeat, I night have fortian his letter, but infortunately I is his column of Jan. 3, 1949 (the Pittsprinting) and when I read the words: "the superior people" in atement I saw red (not the Russian a) and the more I read, the less I lated either Mr. Pegler's viewor his supposed "information." So ght I'd be doing my race a small in pointing out something which how small is Mr. Pegler's store ctual knowledge in some respects would indicate that an alarming of similarity must of necessity in Mr. Pegler's "information" along lines . . . Feeling that way, we an toss off anything Pegier pens ... which is what most peo mink it is anyhow . . . In fact I eard the comment that Pegler



Mr. Anderson

PEGLER'S JAN. 3 column dealt with the wisdom and intricacles of Mr. Truman's political astuteness in running his campaign for the Presidency last year and Mr. Pegler flatly intimated that Mr. Truman's only reason for taking a friendly attitude towards human decency as involved in civil rights for Negroes and other oppressed minority groups (oppressed by Mr. Pegler's "superior people") was done solely to secure their vote . . . Mr. Pegler went further and displayed his scorn for certain other individuals who have taken up the cudgel in our behalf . . . He blasted Lewis Gannett (who did more news about Negro troops when he was in the ETO in World War II than any other white writer I have heard of . . . Ask Brig. Gen. B. O. Davis Sr., Mr. Pegler) . . . But our man Pegler certainly elevated some folks whom we wouldn't elevate when he used the expression, "Only Governor Thurmond and a few other respectables went deeper" . . . as if he doesn't know how WE classify Governor Thurmond . . . Yes the prospect of giving civil rights to Negroes and other minority groups seems to worry Mr. Pegler . . . probably it's because its a follow-up of some Rooseveltian ideals and anything that smacks of Roosevelt just douses Mr. Pegler's open productions y. Let's take a peek at what Mr. Pegler said to me:

Wherein Mr. Pegler, Was Off the Beam

Discussing Negro press officers during the war, Mr. Pegler writes: "I never discussed pro or con the use of negro (small "n") press relations officers by the Army. I think there were an absurdly large number of them and that most of them were incompetent newspapermen but I never knew that there were any colored officers among them" . . . I agree wholeheartedly with Mr. Pegler in his appraisal of many of the Army's press relations ofsoldier had never been truthfully and accurately ficers—I agree from personal contact and observation . . . and nted to the public . . . and that even the Department that's the Army's fault, but still a factor which contributes largely to the lack of true knowledge of what Negro soldiers did during

hat might be considered an even fair picturization of BUT MR. PEGLER GOES AWRY when he says: "By hearsay of the nearly one million Negro servicemen and women I understand that General Davis was a good soldier. Also by hearsay of the nearly one million Negro servicemen and women I understand that General Davis was a good soldier. 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Well, Brother Pegler, you heard both right and wrong: ter from Westbrook Pegler last week. Now, all of you the general were analyzed they would be found to spring from that fact and his conduct of himself in such a manner, although our fact and his conduct of himself in such a manner, the soldiers of the last Army was an Army of "civilians" and not professional soldiers of the last Army was an Army of "civilians" and not professional soldiers of the last Army was an Army of "civilians" and not professional soldiers of the last Army was an Army of "civilians" and not professional soldiers of the last Army was an Army of "civilians" and not professional soldiers of the last Army was an Army of "civilians" and not professional soldiers of the last Army was an Army of "civilians" and not professional soldiers of the last Army was an Army of "civilians" and not professional soldiers of the last Army was an Army of "civilians" and not professional soldiers of the last Army was an Army of "civilians" and not professional soldiers of the last Army was an Army of "civilians" and not professional soldiers of the last Army was an Army of "civilians" and not professional soldiers of the last Army was an Army of "civilians" and not professional soldiers of the last Army was an Army of "civilians" and not professional soldiers of the last Army was an Army of "civilians" and the last Army of the last Army of the last A -a little item to which General Davis could hardly adjust himself. As to Colonel Davis' flyers, Brother Pegler, your hearsay dope is Now, I might have forgotten all about Mr. Pegler's letter, even all wet. In fact, Colonel Davis' lads got the President of the More I might have forgotten all about Mr. Pegler's letter, even all wet. In fact, Colonel Davis' lads got the President of the More I might have forgotten all about Mr. Pegler's letter, even all wet. In fact, Colonel Davis' lads got the President of the More I might have forgotten all about Mr. Pegler's letter, even all wet. In fact, Colonel Davis' lads got the President of the More I might have forgotten all about Mr. Pegler's letter, even all wet. In fact, Colonel Davis' lads got the President of the More I might have forgotten all about Mr. Pegler's letter, even all wet. In fact, Colonel Davis' lads got the President of the More I might have forgotten all about Mr. Pegler's letter, even all wet. 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I might have longitude at a week the week in lact, Colonel Davis lads got the Presidential Citation—as the contents in some instances showed that in spite of his status in an Army parlance, "the Distinguished Unit Citation"—and they mean the news-gathering sources which he must possess like Winchell, don't toss that around for peanuts. . . In the invasion of Southern will be a sound for peanuts and the sound for peanuts and the invasion of Southern will be a sound for peanuts and the invasion of Southern will be a sound for peanuts and the invasion of Southern will be a sound for peanuts and the invasion of Southern will be a sound for peanuts and the invasion of Southern will be a sound for peanuts and the invasion of Southern will be a sound for peanuts and the sound for peanuts are sound for peanuts and the sound for peanuts and the sound for peanuts are sound for peanuts and the sound for peanuts are sound for peanuts and the sound for peanuts are sound for peanuts and the sound for peanuts are sound for peanuts are sound for peanuts and the sound for peanuts are s the news-gathering sources of Southern was grossly misinformed about some things France, it was Colonel Davis' lads who dived in and strafed, divebombed and knocked out German radar installations and weapons in the harbor at Marseilles making it easier for General Devers' forces to capture the port and march into France . . . They flew cover missions for big bombers over Germany, Czechoslovakia, Rumania, Hungary and Europe in general . . . But, how the heck would 25 you be able to get the real dope, Brother Pegler, when the Army didn't go all out to furnish the means for the dissemination of the real dope?

Here's what Mr. Pegler says about the Ninety-second Infantry

"Word also came back from Italy to Arizona (where I live) that the division of soldiers which General Davis activated at Huachuca, in Arizona, lived up or down to expectations when they were put in the line in Italy and the Germans hit them. The expectations were based on slack discipline, surliness and inefficiency which were glaring even to the eye of a layman at Huachuca. I was told, and I believe I wrote at the time, that The Pittsburgh Courier and Chicago Defender would be responsible for some such result because they were accentuating a double-V campaign and creating dissension and a want of loyalty and discipline among these troops.

ABOUT THE ILL-FATED Ninety-second Division, Mr. Pegler:

Be informed that their troubles sprang from the top, and the top

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autier Says Policy Puts s in Bad Light Abroad

Truman's Executive Order, Gillem Board's

Recommendation Ignored by Staff Command the Navy than in the Army. tecedents or race."

By LOUIS LAUTIER

ASHINGTON (N N P A)—announced by Gordon Gray, no doubt the Army will eventual-a Soviet Russia in possession Secretary of the Army, it is ap ly achieve the same success the atomic bomb and the sur-parent that the present Army which the Navy has long enjoyed at of the United States at stake General Staff is committed to a in recruiting men and women of march of Communism, the segregated policy for colored ability. Teamwork is so much has weakened this coun-personnel. has weakened this land in the Army "Race In The Army"

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nanpower.

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Post-War Army, headed by Lt. Someday again Negroes may Gen. Alvan C. Gillem, and com-be called upon to defend this monly called the Gillem Board, Nation. Many of them will be recognized that fact. recognized that fact.

That board recommended that fend the only home they have.

all manpower be utilized, in the event of another major war, "in goes all out and drops its silly the Army without regard to an segregation policy, as this Na-

ton Post of its ritheal editorial of October of on the Army's new racial policy Both the Navy provided for the world's and the Air Force met the issue pulation who are colored peoples must look with suspicion up the United States when they army has labored and brought. the United States when they Army has labored and brought lieve in their leaders and, like

opportunity solely because of In the past when Negro citi- a strong Navy. The past when Negro citizens volunteered for the Army they did so out of loyalty to their country and with the hope that turn a sample might win for the sample boon of insuclass, unsegn gated citizenship. After two wars to strengthen democracy, the same old prejudices and rationalizations still operate this reaction when he issued. they did so out of loyalty to Alexandria.

one of the reasons some Neighbor to the armed serge on the personnel of the personnel, and set up to expectations was the lack of prorale bound to exist in a sogregation army. I know of high class Negro draftees with college education and college his committee contemptors by by-passing it, and shown that it has learned nothing from it experiences in the utilization of colored personnel in two World Wars.

One of the reasons some Neigro units in the past two wars did not live up to expectations was the lack of prorale bound to exist in a sogregation army. I know of high class Negro draftees with college education and college educat In World War II, it was proved European front they fought hat race segregation and discrime as valiantly as any. Often when tion robbed the Nation of the in camps in the South the unirespect from the civilian community, as Joe Louis, Jackie

as willing as in the past to de-

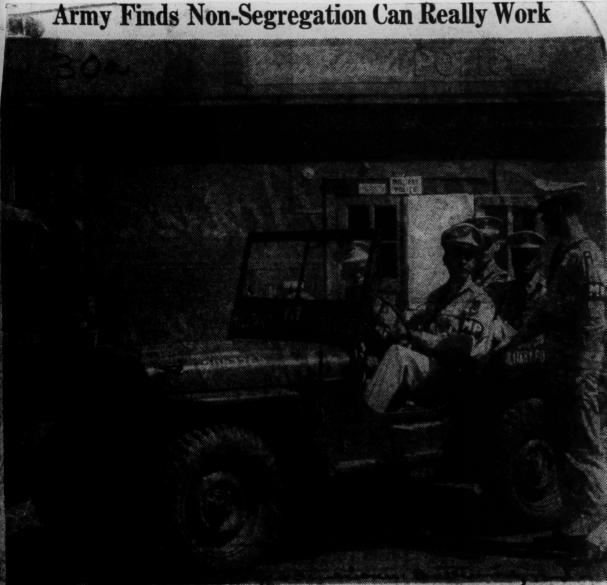
tion once abolished slavery, it will find its Negro citizenry the most loyal defense it can count E. B. HENDERSON.

Falls Church, Va. facilities, developed jointly by the armed services, have been used by a very much higher percentage of all personnel in

By stressing teamwork within But, according to the program its ranks as well as on the radio, a part of the Navy that it needs no proclamation on the radio

What is wrong with Navy mo-May I commend The Washing- rale today is not that its adthem, in this Nation's need for

MAUD M. DICKINSON.



amp Edwards at Falmouth, Mass., is the Army model for the non-seg ant Truman. MP's about to go on duty in front sea. Phy Lette Lo d Hoffman, Jersey City, N.J.; back seat, Pfc. Jose A. Pantpja, Brons, tersburg, Va. Instructions are being given by Pvt. Vincent Mule of

plicy Change Approved

By John G. Norris

Post Reporter Defense Secretary Johnson yes racial policy frankly were disap-yesterday by Johnson makes the erday approved a new Army pol-pointed. They will reid comment following changes: icy aimed at giving "greater as for the time being, but predicted 1. Opens all military occupationsurance of equality of treatment there would be adverse reaction at specialties to Negroes. In the from Negro leaders. nd opportunity" for Negroes.

It continues segregation at the Early last spring the Army, Navy rating open in a Negro unit before company level and below, but gives and Air Force were directed to a man could be rained in that promotions are made without re-Negro soldiers a better chance to write new policies carrying out speciality.

Army schools and acquire President Truman's directive of Some specialties thus were not specialists' qualification, and pro-last" summer calling for racial open to Negroes, and others had equality in the armed forces. A nominal representatives only.

Negroes familiar with negotia two-week deadline was given.

2. Negroes now may be selected for all Army schools. Previously, the Navy quickly submitted a for all Army schools. Previously, and the new Army of the Navy quickly submitted a for all Army schools.

plan in line with its already effect quotas were on a racial basis, and

tive policy of nonsegregation. Johnson accepted this, but disapproved plans submitted by the Army and Air Force as not going far enough.

An amended Air Force program, providing for elimination of segregation, later was indorsed by the Defense Secretary.

The Army program approved

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some schools did not traain Neichairman of the President's Comgroes at all. Heretofore, on 21 o mittee on Equality of Treatment 106 schools open to recruits after and Opportunity in the Armed basic traaining accepted members Forces. However, officials of the of the accepted members Fahy Committee here did not know 3. The new promotion system of anything about the new plan until

the enlisted career guidance profafter it was released to the pres. be administered on an equal-merit basis by Army-wide competition exams without regard to race.

Heretofore, they were assigned to Negro encampments.

population—now about 10 percent.

ment of Negro enlisted men after Segregation and racial quotas still remain.

completion of training and quali
Until we have nad opportunity to study the post "overhead," as at present.

Secretary Gray, "does not mean cept." that existing Negro units will be broken up or that Negro personnel of these units will be scattered throughout the Army.

"It does mean that qualified Negroes, including members of these existing units, will have the opportunity to learn those skills previously unavailable to them. Hereafter, Negroes who aquire skills will be assigned to positions where their specialties may be applied in the manner most useful to the Army."

Gray said he soon would appoint a board of senior Army officers to review and reexamine "the fundamental policies for the utilization of Negro manpower in the light of changing conditions and experiences." Similiar boards will be appointed from time to time in the future, he said.

Reenlistments For All Curbed

The Army declared also that under a new policy reenlistments of all soldiers has been limited to those who during their first "hitch" qualify for promotion to private first class, if single, and for corporal, if married. These

This policy, it was pointed out. will eventually eliminate all those -Negro and white—who fail to demonstrate the capacity to ad-

Gray said he had discussed the new policy with Charles Fahy.

gram, just getting under, way, will The Army Hasn't Changed

A pasual examination of the Army's so-called 4. Negro ROTC students in "new program for racial equality," would seem to mixed units can attend summer indicate that instead of moving forward, the Army camps with their college groups really is moving walnuard . . .

Not only does the program fail to correct the Original enlistments of Negroes hanner in which it is presented to the public quota basis, accordin gto the popu-leaves room for the belief that the program was lation ratio of Negroes to the total slipped through while someone's back was turned.

James C. Evans, civilian advisor to Secretary Negro leaders have opposed such a of Defense Louis Johnson, says that his office knew Chief unanswered question in nothing about the program which does not go even the new army policy was on assign- as far as the old Gillem Board report did in 1946.

Later, an Army spokesman said proposals at length, we will withhold further comsuch men would be eligible for ment, but, from where we sit now, it appears that assignment only to Negro units and the Army brass has no intention of following the examples set by the Navy and the Air Force. De-"This program," said Army mocracy is still a word which it is unwilling to ac-

ninant branch of the defense establishment.

"This new policy raises a serious question about who runs the Army?" was not an issue of state rights

was not an issue of state' rights but of "whether a narrow group of bigoted men will continue to control the political detay of their states by restricting the suffrage of American citizens."

He added that no state has the right to deny to any american the right to deny to any american the right to vote because he is not or because of his race.

He charges that pall-tax Senators," by finoustering, have over run the Constitution, prevented repeal of the Taft-Hartley law, so because social security law and civil rights legislation.

Army's Racial Equality Plan

Denounced by Liberal Group

By the United Press

Americans for Democratic Action yesterday denounced the Army's new racial equality program as a "sham" and called on President

Truman to reject it.

It said Mr. Truman should "order the end of segregation in the Army and thus demonstrate to the

Army and thus demonstrate to the world that this country means what it says when it speaks out for democracy and free or ...

ADA's views vere contained in a letter sent the President by Charles M. La Follette, former Indiana Congressman and director. ganization's national director.

La Follette said the Army's new

racial program, approved by Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson Friday, is nothing more than a "feeble gesture toward racial "feeble gesture toward racial equality."

"Although this new policy pur-

"Although this new policy purports to make concessions to the legitimate desires of Negroes for advancement and other opportunities in the Army," he said, "it fails to deal with the core of the problem. It is a sham policy of 'a little bit of equality."

Under the new program, the Army will continue segregation at the company level, but white and

the company level, but white and Negro companies will serve side by side in battalions.

The service also will continue its present policy of limiting Negro enlistments to about 10 percent -the ratio of Negroes to the total population.

La Follette criticized the Army La Follette criticized the Army for retaining what he called the

or retaining what ...
iniquitous" quota system.
Furthermore, he said even after
Negroes have qualified for special
thouse, they are to be sent back
'housekeeping'



Emerson D. Nash, Detroit; tk, Pfc. Horace Colfield assurance that "No individual who qualioccupational specialty opportunity to follow or color." Indeed, the 's remarks about applying specialties "in the manner most useful to the Army" makes qualified Negroes sound like double-talk. fies for a military denied the because of race

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om The Washington Post

ider thing it does not do in fact. Moreover, the Treatment and that the policy has been "discussed" with Chairman Charles Fahy of the President's ood deal more than this kind of foot-drag Committee has called The new policy purports to do Forces. masquerades under Committee on Equality of Opportunity in the Armed report

the Army report his imprimatur. Mr. John April 6 says:

policy does not do that, although oth the Navy and the Air Force are now out regard to race." (Capitals ours). ollowing this practice. rmy

of segregated Negro nave the stimulus of genuine competition in themselves for assignment and promotion. In other frustrate the most efficient use of man ization of Negro troops must be regarded policy does not serve its own purpose. Un military rather than a social prob many reasons for this is one funda act: all-Negro units were made u Military men often insist that the men of low IQs who did was bad. That is precisely why units World War II deniably the record segregated largely words,

There is reason why the end to Army portant is that a start be made in good segregation must be gradual. What is, imfaith to disperse Negro troops throughour the Army, quietly and without publicity made one praise worth move to eliminate the culls by fusing to reenlist men who have not vanced beyond the grade of private. Army already has

facture a Negro problem for itself so long will continue to manuintelligence qualifications for all resubstituting min It could go further in this respect employs criteria of race rather ability anywhere along the line. percent quotas for Negroes and The Army the abandoning

Secretary Johnson could have given

center, and Brig. Gen. J. Sladen Bradley, assistant commandant of The Infantry School, at Fort Benning, Ga., upon arrival by plane for the fourth of a series of joint civilian orientation conferences to acquaint civilian leaders with the armed forces.

Seventy of the nation's top business and industrial leaders attended the recent four-day ses-

Attending Civilian Orientation Conference



egregation Under New Policy; Secretary of the Army Responding the freed both racial without racial segregation and a quota fixing the finction segregation and a quota fixing the finction segregated units.

Secretary of the Army Strength.

Secretary Johnson, of Army strength.

WASHINGTON—(NNPA) — Secretary of the Army Gordon Gray made public last Friday "a program for racial equality—" but, upon close examination, it is the same old formula to keep colored soldiers in segregated units.

Thus the Army Brass continues to defy President Tru-

The announcement said the new program has been approved by Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson (through whose office it was made (and had been discussed with Charles Fahy, chairman of the Committee on Equality of Treatment and Opportunity in the Armed Forces.

Army Air Force of treating the Armed Services be integrated.

Army Air Force officials who are making honest efforts to reagnized the formation of the condender of these units will stand the program has been and a number of these units will should be made.

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will be made from the best qualied personnel without regard to
race or color.
Previously, only 21 of 106
schools open to recruits after
basic training accepted colored
soldiers.

Mr. Gray pointed out that the additional jobs and the wider opportunity promised would be
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Then meaningless
"Changing conditions and attitudes require and permit constant
re-examining and testing of our

Promotion System

3. The promotion system of Gray said. gram will be administered on an to appoint promptly, will help in that it "violates" the Ormy's anequal merit basis, so that all pro-the performance of this duty." nounced racial policy.

bers of school units to which they Army and to assist in the pian-are regularly assigned will be ning, promulgation, implementa-announcement, "guarantees that trained with those units without tion and revision of policies af-qualified Negro soldiers will be regard to race or color.

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and post "overhead," as at prespolicy of the Navy and Air Force the Army."

Secretary's Statement

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New Re-enlistment Policy The Army declared also that, lar enlistment, qualify for promotunity in the service tion to private first class, if unHe declared that no individual married, and to corporal, if marwho qualifies for a military occu-

pected to produce greater econ-omy and efficiency by gradually Under the new policy annou

capacity to advance.

qualified individuals, colored as qualification, well as white, to enlist in the Negro leaders fea Gillem Recommendation

4. ROTC students attending vote their time to problems in-summer training camps as mem-volving colored personnel in the bers of school units to which they Army and to assist in the pian-"This policy," fecting colored personnel.

Council Scores Plan of ROTC units at schools which Colored leaders who have their specialties if vacancies exist enrolled both white and colored a chance to study new Army pro-students were separated from gram expressed their disapproval "Secretary Gray stated that it

as the number of colored personnel in those branches is small The Secretary of the Army compared with that of the Army

Report Called Incredible

under a new re-enlistment policy, Army Secretary Gordon Gray it has limited re-enlistments to announced a widening of the new those who, during the first regu- Army policy on equality of oppor-

promotions to these pational specialty will be denied grades may be made without rethe opportunity to follow it begard to vacancies, all Army per- cause of race or color," and added sonnel are eligible to win these that in carrying out this policy "qualified Negro specialists would Mr. Gray said this policy is ex- be assigned to some white units."

eliminating from Army service month ago—which opened all those who fail to demonstrate the Army schools and military spe-Under the new policy announced Its progressive application, the cialty qualifications to Negroes-Army said, will also assure con-nothing specific was said about tinuing opportunities to highly their assignment after tenining and

ssignments were Negro units, there would be

re-examining and testing of our suspicions. Following publication policies and our practices," Mr. of the order vesterday Secretary of the order yesterday, Secretary the enlisted career guidance pro- "The new board, which I intend Gray issued a statement declaring

motions will be obtained by open. If the recommendation of the As soon as the "administrative competition on Army-wide exami-Gillem Board is followed, Mr. mesage" came to his attention. nations, against a single stand-Gray will appoint an Army General Gray said, he ordered it rescinded, ard and without regard to race Staff group of selected officers, He then went on to spell out more or color.

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given equal opportunity with other qualified soldiers to practice

their units and sent to colored en-calling it "a step backward rather was anticipated that as a result campments for summer training than forward." An Army spokesman said last Friday that after completion of training and qualification for a military specialty, colored enlisted men would be eligible for assignment only to colored units and post "overhead," as at pression of the announced policy qualified that as a result of the announced policy qualified Negro specialists would be assigned to some white units. He said this does not mean that existing Negro units will be broken up to the Negro personnel of these and post "overhead," as at pression of the Negro personnel of these and post "overhead," as at pression of the Negro personnel of these and post "overhead," as at pression of the Negro personnel of the Negro personnel of these and post "overhead," as at pression of the Negro personnel of the Annual Negro personnel of the Negro personnel of the Annual Negro personnel of the announced policy qualified that as a result of the announced policy qualified that as a result of the Annual Negro personnel of the Annual Negro personnel of the Annual Negro personnel of the Negro personnel of the Negro personnel of the Annual Negro personnel of the Neg

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as the new chief of na- obvious.

OPS 23" is naval parlance for erations Division 22".
Until Thursday, it was a 30group unofficially ded as having functioned in role of a Navy "task force" ganize the Navy's case in recent stormy hearings on ervice squabbling before House armed services com-

grap was said to have Instrumental in aiding the s fight designed to bring changes in high military gy under the unified defense

Blistered Air Force among other tasks, the "OPS ection was reported to have d prepare and distribute scripts of testimony aired by rade of top admirals during congressional hearings, inng blistering criticism of the Force's billion-dollar B-36

entagon informants said some ago that the Navy inspector al. Rear Admiral Allen R Cann, had seized the group's and launched an investigaof the organization.

Admiral Sherman's order todisbanded and discontinued division, and an announceent said its functions will be ributed to other divisions in e office of chief of operations. The statement said "OPS 23" as junked because "its princi-

OPS 23" had been headed by ot A. A. Burke, one of the wits in the Capitol hearings. unit's listed duties were so din scope that its members, officers and 17 enlisted personcould go into almost any ac-

Still simmering hotly, the inter- from authoritative sources

Commenting on the bitter controversy between admirals and generals over their roles in the event of war, Tydings denaval aviation must be kept strong.

be abroad that the Navy is to be abolished, but he said:

"I do not know of any serious threat to the Navy in or out of Congress. Out of 531 members of Congress, I do not think that proposition would muster a single vote.

other two branches of the armed services.

He said the House committee 'ably qualified" to carry on the investigation, and if the Senate committee stepped in, it would "probably widen any breach that has been made in military unity.'

(Washington Correspondent)

WASHINGTON—While the nation's press has headlined the revolt of the admirals against the Secretary Navy, The Courier has learned

service controversy took a new that the generals on the Army portunity in the Army as an-GEN. HAISLIP CITED turn Thursday when Sen. Tydings staff level have indulged innounced on Sept. 30, . . . An ad-One of the most persistent foes porter, called for a bigger Army almost as serious a revolt ministrative message sent to Army of racial integration, according to commanders on Oct. 27, violates these sources, is General Wade that I was quietly surrounded himself in key Secretary Gray said that it was quietly surrounded himself in key Navy, he said, is "three times" erals is their opposition to the ra anticipated that as a result of the positions with generals who share stronger than the combined na-cial integration policies promulations announced policy, "qualified Negrohis point of view, including, say stronger than the combined na-cial integration policies promulations announced policy, "qualified Negrohis point of view, including, say stronger than the combined na-cial integration policies promulations announced policy, "qualified Negrohis point of view, including, say stronger than the combined na-cial integration policies promulations and the combined na-cial integration policies promulations and the combined na-cial integration policies promulations and the provided to the second to the positions with generals who share announced policy, "qualified Negrohis point of view, including, say stronger than the combined na-cial integration policies promulations and the provided to the second to the positions with generals who share announced policy, "qualified Negrohis point of view, including, say stronger than the combined na-cial integration policies promulations and the provided to the positions with generals who share announced policy, "qualified Negrohis point of view, including, say stronger than the combined na-cial integration policies promulations and the provided to the policy of the positions with general policies promulations and the provided to the policy of the policies promulations and the provided

of the Army Secretary's office.

PROBE UNDER WAY

For the first time, Secretary Gray The Army policy, announced last the post of chief of staff have gradmade it clear that Negro specialists September, was generally consid-ually deteriorated in recent years. clared that more American defense dollars should go to build
up the Army and the Air Force
rather than the Navy. He said
naval aviation must be kept

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informed sources, that the Armyto "eventually integrate" the Negro These sources make the follow-Tydings said the idea seems to secretary has ordered a complete soldier and that he expected fur-ing assertions: General Marshall investigation of the issuance of thether changes toward the integra-was reasonably objective in his ra-order he had to rescind and thattion end. cial views; General Eisenhower disciplinary action, probably trans- He was backed up by Secretarycame to the Pentagon as a strong fers, would be taken against Army of Defense Johnson. Last week's di-advocate of liberal policies, but un-

officers found deliberately trying to rective, if allowed to stand, wouldder the influence of the general thwart the Arry's racial pricyhave meant retrogression to a pointstaff he became less and less artic-declaration far back of the standards set byulate and active in the anti-discrim-Although the name of the offend the unsatisfactory Gillen board re-ination fight, and it was only after

Tydings said the Senate armed services committee will not conduct a separate investigation of Army Chief of Staff J. Lawtonin part, as follows: "It is not in for equality.

Collins, at the insistence of the Sectended that (the recent Army General Bradley made a statethe row between the Navy and the retary, spokesmen for the Army de-policy) be interpreted to authorizement opposing integration shortly LOT IN PENTAGON

assignment to troop basis spaces after he assumed the chief of staff post, and General Collins, present without regard to race or color chief of staff, is regarded as a conclined to reveal his name. PLOT IN PENTAGON

the issuance of the field directive Negro personnel will be assigned firmed foe of integration. to implement the Army's most re-only to (tactical) units authorized. These sources also point out that cent policy declaration. Informed Negro personnel and to Negro who tried to achieve a workable insources believe that this attempt to sabotage the meaning of the policy spaces in overhead units . . . Thetegration formula have either found and to maintain a hard and fastsame policy applies in assignment the going too rough and retired or pattern of racial segregation is theof white personnel." have been transferred. In this cate-

gory, they list Lieut. Gen. W. S. deliberate work of Army generals DIRECTIVE REVOKED gory, they list Lieut. Gen. W. S. Paul, former personnel chief; Brig. Pentagon structure and who are This directive, which was re-Gen. Charles Lanham, former inknown to be vigorously opposed tovoked by the Secretary, was sentformation and education chief, and any integration of Negro soldiers. out to all Army commanders over of the manual on leadership of New the Was being by-passed by athe signature of Maj. Gen. E. Figro soldiers.

clever clique of Army officers, heWitsall, adjutant general. Those who believe that Secretary is said to have become bitterly However, this is normal proce-Gray is conscientuously seeking to angry. At any rate, the statement dure and it has been discovered dilemna think that he is being conhe issued here last Thursday was that the directive was actually stantly outmaneuvered by his generationally strong. Advised that wired to commanders by a colonel erals and that the revolt of the generation and administration officing the personnel section. It was erals is as serious as was the Navy cers had issued a field directive never seen by either the Secretary revolt by the Admirals. confining Negro soldiers to Negrothe Adjutant General.
units or to "Negro spaces" in over- Informed sources here believe
head or post housekeeping units, that the unidentified personnel sec-

the Secretary immediately counter-tion colonel was inspired to forward manded the directive. this message to field commands by He said, in a press release, that a group of Army generals in staff "there has been no change in the level who oppose any efforts to inpolicy concerning equality of op-tegrate Negroes into the Army.

NEGROES HIT POLICY

stronger than the combined na-cial integration policies promul announced policy, "qualified Negrohis point of view, including, say vies of the world.

Gated by resident Truman and specialists would be assigned to these sources, Lieut. Gen. E. H.

He said the Russians now have supported, at least in part, by Sec some white units." He added that Brooks, who heads the personnel personnel to the pe sions for every American division, and Secretary of Army Gordon military occupation specialty willof the military personnel manage-ln air strength, he said, the Gray.

By ROGER D. GREENE
In air strength, he said, the Gray.

Washington, Nov. 3—Admiral rest. P. Sherman Thursday of the Senate armed services combited out "OPS 23," the reputed a board of strategy in the adal bliter attack before Constant of the Senate armed services of the Senate armed services of the series of conferences on Pentagon policies.

The creckdown came less than fours, after Sherman was sin by name but his allusions were ment of racial policy which was the first process.

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crackdown came less than leaders. He did not mention Rus-section, and to make a clear state that Negro personnel of these units of integration were transferred elseours after Sherman was sia by name but his allusions were most forthright yet to come out will be scattered throughout thewhere.

Army.

In support of this view, these observers point out that the integra-

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accordance with the stated wishes of the Army remained wedded to its policy of President, but is willing to open it a little racial segregation bit in response to the pressures put upon Mr. Gray hastens to assure the country that there has actually been no change him by progressive agencies.

In this connection he says: "This policy in the alleged new Army policy guaranteeguarantees that qualified Negro soldiersing equality of opportunity, regardless of will be given equal opportunity with other color or creed, but ruins this statement by qualified soldiers to practice their special-asserting that existing jim-crow units will ties if vacancies exist for those specialties," not be broken up and Negro personnel but he is unwilling or reluctant to let Ne-scattered throughout the Army.

without regard to color.

Apparently the Army Secretary believes the Army a truly democratic institution in that the whites in the Navy and the Air Corps are different from those in the Army, because integration is working in the other two branches, and has been for some time.

The cross section of white youths in the Navy and the Air Corps is just about the same as that in the Army-boys from all parts of the nation, North, South, East and West.

Why cannot the Army do what the other two services have done?

Are we going to just crack the door of segregation and discrimination in the Army or are we going to attack the probtem forthrightly and open the door wide? HE announcement of Secretary of the Army Gordon Gray that qualified Negro specialists will be assigned to some white units where there are vacancies is a sizable crack in the iron door which has long been a barrier to full integration in

It indicates that the demands of this newspaper, the NAACP and others are beginning to get attention from the powers-900 111 12 VY that-be.

To be sure, President Truman issued an executive order outlawing color discrimination in the armed services, and it had considerable effect so far as the Navy and the Air Corps were concerned, but the

groes practice ordinary soldiering anywhere In other words, Secretary Gray refuses to open the iron door completely and make Discussed With Fahy

leient utilization of manpower, in-RACE RULED OUT

ersonnel without regard to race or ing—or so-called overhead— posi-

gard to race or color.

mer training camps as members of wide equal merit basis, against a school units to which they are regusingle standard, without regard to arry assigned will be trained with hose units without regard to race Under the old policy, Negro ROTC

gress under the program and to retremain together and be trained to examine and review the fundamental gether. policies for the utilization of Ne-

near future. Negro personnel of these units cent.

se Louis Johnson this week ap- the Army has limited reenlistments reexamining and testing of our ed a program proposed by the to those who, during the first regu- policies and practices," Mr. Gray rement of the Army to give lar enlistment, qualify for promo-said. "The new board, which I inater assurance of equality of tion to Private First Class if un-tend to appoint promptly, will help eatment and opportunity to all married, and to Corporal, if mar-us in the performance of this duty." resonnel without regard to race or ried. Since promotions to these grades may be made without re-m submitting the new program gard to vacancies, all Army mem-bers are eligible to win these proary of the Army Gordon Gray motions. Mr. Gray said this policy sinted out that he had discussed is expected to produce greater with Charles Fahy, Chairman of the economy, and efficiency by graduals President Committee on Equality of President Commit Secretary Gray said that in order dividuals, both Negro to insure a progressively more et to enlist in the Army.

studing utilization of Negroes in Under the Army's new program, ach of the Army's career fields Military Occupational Specialties the Army is taking these specific will be open to all qualified personnel. No individual who qualifies 1. Military Occupational Speciali- for a Military Occupation Species (MOS) will be open to qualified alty win be denied the opportunity (MOS) will be open to qualified to follow it because of race or color.

This will give greater significance 2. The present Negro quotas for and provide further implementation lection to attend Army schools to the Army's policy and practice ill be abolished and selection will of using qualified persons without e made from the best qualified regard to race in filling the opera-

3. The promotion system of the enisted career guidance porgram will be administered on an equal merit basis so that all promotions will be obtained by open competition on Army-wide examinations, against a single standard and without re
start Army installations.

Formerly, Negroes were excluded from acquiring certain Military Octupational Specialties. Also, they were selected to attend schools on the basis of Negro distribution in the Army. They competed for promotions only among themselves. Now all non-commissioned officers will ROTC students attending sum-compete for promotion on an Army-

students attending summer camps 5. A board of senior Army Offi-were placed in Negro units for their ers will be convened from time training. Now all personnel regular-

Army

gro manpower in the light of chang- Mr. Gray declared that the Army ing conditions and experiences. The was continuing its study of the first board will be convened in the present policy of regulating Negro original enlistments in the Army; "This program," Mr. Gray said, which is now based on the popula-"does not mean that existing tion ratio of Negroes to the total gro units will be broken up or population—currently about ten per

be scattered throughout the Army He pointed out that present poli-t does mean that qualified Negro cies concerning the utilization of He pointed out that present poliincluding members of these exist. Negro manpower in the Army are ing units, will have the opportunity based on the recommendations of a to learn those skills deviously unboard, headed by Lieutenant Generavailable to them Hereafter, Ne-al A. C. Gillem, which made its regroes who acquire skills will be as-port in 1946 and which itself regions who acquire skills will be as-port in 1946 and which itself regions. signed to positions where their commended a periodic review of specialties may be applied in the Army policies.

manner most useful to the Army." "Changing conditions and atti-Under a new reenlistment policy, tudes require and permit constant



LENSMAN—Donard Grimes took Tribune publisher Lucius W. Lomax, Jr.'s place this week aboard an Army bomber bound for Honolulu where he will cover the joint Army-Navy-Air

Force maneuvers for the Houng. A - 2 Tomax was kept at home by the indisposition of his wife. the Tribune's editor, who is expecting a baby next May. One of the best of local cameramen Grimes, who is assistant in the public relations department of Golden State Mutual Life Insurance to, will photograph the maneuvers for Tribune readers. (see story)

The Welcome Mat Is Always Out at the USO



FAYETTEVILLE, North Carolina:—Sgt. 1/c Carl A. Winston, 21, of Philadelphia, a paratrooper with the 82nd Airborne, and a member of the soldier-planning committee which directs the program of the Ramsey Street USO Caub in Eayetteville, is typical of the young men of the new armed forces who continue to find USO the "home away from home" it was for their war-time predecessors.

(Sgt. Winston is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl L. Winston of 21 South 56th Street, Philadelphia, Pa. A graduate of West Philadelphia High School—class of '45—he entered the service in 1946.)

(Courier's Washington Correspondent)

ich will prove what most Negroes d other U. S. liberals have alvs believed—that the Army innds to preserve the backward ciples of discrimination and seggation at all costs.

It says here that Secretary of ense Louis Johnson approved the rmy plan. There are some people ho don't believe that he did. They se this conclusion on the fact at Johnson has twice turned down mocuous Army formulas which re no less objectionable than his one and has, with some enjusiasm, endorsed much more enchtened policy formulas by the ther two services, Air Force and

hat the new Army policy may have been slipped past Sec- the lot of the soldier in tactical or field units.

Mr. Graves

retary Johnson's desk and released prematurely. copie will regard his position as inconsistent and will come mittee, under Charles Fahy, has been charged with seeing the prothe conclusion that the long delay, cleverly maneuvered gram through. It is doubted, by the Southern forces in the Dixie-dominated Army, has those in position to know, if the oftened Johnson's heretofore forthright views on the mat-new Army policy will meet with the r of racial equality. In addition, Navy and Air Force Fahy Committee's approval. It is ficials, who didn't particularly like the idea of establish-now up to President Truman and Secretary Johnson to bring the genlightened policy principles, will never forgive them-Army into line with Air Force and ives for yielding to Johnson's pressure when they see what Navy policy. Army has been able to get away with

The question of eliminating segregation and its conomitant—"discrimination"—seems never to have entered the thinking of Army officials. The Army made two minor changes in its essentially jim-crow policy: It opened all military occupation specialties to Negroes (some had been denied Negroes before); and it said Negroes would be ligible to attend all Army schools without restriction by notas (as had been the case in Army technical schools be-

And even in these meager concessions, the language equivocal and lacking in positive direction. Assuming hat Negroes will be given an opportunity to qualify in all MOS categories and assuming that they will be sent to all of the schools (the announcement does not direct Army commanders to send Negroes to these schools but merely says that quotas will be abolished) what becomes of those

Army

Negroes who qualify in techniques which are not used in the limited jim-crow Negro units now operated by the Army?

A unique answer to this question was offered by one of the assistants to Army Secretary Gordon Gray last week. Karl Bendetson told The Courier that Negroes with technical specialties might be assigned to work, during the day, at jobs utilizing their skills in overhead or post installations. But, at 5 o'clock, these skilled Negroes will be shipped back to their jim-crow units for billeting, mess, recreation and all normal associations. The Air Force, which used to use WASHINGTON—The Department of the Army has la-its pernicuous Squadron F units as a repository for all Ne d mightily for six long months and has brought forth a groes who had technical assignments with white troops, has ouse" in the way of a racial policy formula. In a two-long since abandoned this arrangement as administrative statement released at the Pentagon late last Friday, unorthodox and morally indefensible. The Army is now Army announced a weak, ineffective policy formula picking up, for its own use, the distasteful machinery for preserving jim crow that the Air Forces, under Johnson's directive, abandoned. It seems incredible that Secretary Johnson would approve Army policies in this atomic age which are in no respect better than the policies other services had (before his directive) to make changes in, was first issued.

> In addition to the two minor changes, affecting a very small proportion of the thousands of Negroes now in the Army and the millions who may be called upon to defend America in World War III, the Arm will now permit the fifteen or twenty Negroes who attend ROTC sun mer camps from white schools to operate in their school units. In or in Japan—erine Jones paragraph on promotions in the career guidance program but officials of Chicago recently arrived in that section reveal that the "new" regulation in that area is simply a restatement of existing rules. No gain whatever.

said Secretary Gray. If the six months examination and review ices. She has been assigned tinuing study will not johnson last April is any criteria, such con directed by Secretary Johnson last April is any criteria, such con to one of the Army Service tinuing study will not inspire too much confidence in Negro soldiers whose morale in the jim-crow U. S. Army is not likely to be greatly enhanced at this moment. The new policy makes no concessions on vision as a recreational diavy. It is suspected by several inside Pentagon sources the question of segregation and does not affect, for any great good rector.

President Truman, who first directed the armed services to re-If Johnson does not now disavow this policy, many ment, will be called upon to reject the Army's formula. His com-



Protes work with the Clubs in the Twenty-fifth Di-

called in December, 1948, and in 8 WASHINGTON, D. C .- (NNPA) last January. They are to be re-Approximately 10 per cent of the leased as they complete 12 months

Approximately 10 per cent of the leased as they complete 12 months 30,000 men the Army is releasing arcof service.

colored, an Army spokesman said MEETING BUDGET

last Thresday.

The men who are being release drafted men was due to a reduction are those who were inducted and in force of about 26,000 men because recruited under the Selective Ser the anticipated Army budget provice Act of 1948, under which calls vides for a 630,000-man Army in leased on racial quotas were drawned stead of the present strength of

vice Act of 1948, under which calls vides for a 630,000-man Army inbased on racial quotas were dropped stead of the present strength of
The prosam announced by Secretary of the condition of the men are obligated to enter a
on October 25, will affect 24,000 inductees and 6,000 men who volunteered for twenty-one months. Slight
ly more than 3,000 of them are colored, it was estimated.

The men are obligated to enter a
Reserve component after separation
from the Army in accordance with
the Selective Service Act.

Enlisted men eligible for released
ored, it was estimated.

ored, it was estimated. The first to be released are theoptions: men who were drafted or volunteer (1) Remain on active duty and ed in the Army's first call for 10,000 complete twenty-one months of sering men in November, 1948. They willvice; (2) complete twenty-on be followed by the men who were period of service and extend their service of thirty-three services

from active of 12 months

confinement.

FORT MEADE, Md. — Officers of a general court-martial conditions of the cells.

ast Friday refused to drop charges of neglect of duty Replying to defense contentions.

The control of Philadelphia, an Armytions that Holmes had not been The charges allege that ne ter of 1947 and who was dis- Fitzhugh replied: et of duty by Holmes andhonorably discharged from the ee superior officers at the Army last year, testified that rburg, Germany disciplinaryhe had spent 12 days in solitary center in 1947, resulted in the confinement, during which imputation of both feet of Pvt.period he was not allowed to Joseph Suggs, a colored soldier wash.

fter his release from solitary. The men constantly were pleading for blankets to keep The motion for dismissal of from freezing, he said. A numthe charges was made by defense ber of windows was broken, the ttorneys after Army prosecut-court was told.

ng officers had completed the Another witness, Charles D. presentation of evidence that Conley of Arkansas, testified Suge's feet had trozen in an untithat as a guard at the barracks heated cell during one of the he frequetnly saw ice in the coldest spells in European his buckets which prisoners in solitory.

He further testified that the

men in solitary were not allow-

a defense attorney, Conley said

treated as well as they should

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ticer, he said, who then went

Previous witnesses in the trial. which began Jan. 17, had testi-

There was only one stove in

Frequently, he said, the

Awaiting trial after Captain latrines. Holmes are Colonel Harold Mc MADE TO WALK
Clune of San Antonio, Texas, CAKED
the commanding officer at Conley told the court that the
Wurzburg; Lt. Col. George E. men in solitary were required to
Pinard of Wessington Springs, walk naked to the latring in the south Dakota, prison officer same building when they were and Captain Samuel H. Wolford allowed to empty their buckets. Clear Springs, Md., stockade of Prisoners in solitary were not allowed to use the latrine other-

Colonel McClune was retired wise the guard testified. Why in 1947, but was recalled to active duty to stand trial. He had rade naked through the unheaterved 30 years in the army.

Pvt. Suggs, in a wheel chair although the guard said he re-nd former Pvt. Charles E. Col. quired it on "instructions." ins of Tampa, Fla., testified at the general courtmartial.

Suggs, who is being taught to ed shoes and socks in what he walk with artificial feet at Wal- described as the coldest weather er Reed Hospital Washington, he had ever experienced in his C., told the court that when whole life. was taken from a solitary | In reply to a question from confinement cell his feet were so wollen his shoes had to be slit he thought the prisoners were

n order to fit. Subsequently, both feet and have been treated. he lower part of one leg had o be amputated because gang- the whole building, he testified,

ene had set in.
Lient. Col. W. C. Fitzhugh, by the guards. chief prosecutor from the judge dvocate division, informed the prisoners complained to him of ourt that Suggs had been im- freezing feet. He reported such resoned as the result of a trafc accident, but that later the harges against him were void- to see the men. d and the sentence of onths remitted.

sed a formation.

Suggs was placed in solitary, fied, however, that Captain he court was told, because he Holmes never visited them in solitary, despite their complaints Collins, who also was an int and that it was not until men

had to be hospitalized with frozen feet that they were given more clothing and additional blankets.

In arguing against the defense motion to drop the charges, Col. Fitzhugh asserted that Captain Holmes was primarily responsible for the freezing unsanitary

"Wouldn't common sense make him report something that was killing men? When the weather went down below freezing to zero, wouldn't common sense make him report the condition of those men?

"We allege Holmes failed in

no army regulations permitting the use of buckets in a cell. This because there was a latrine inservices, Mr. Truman said. the building."

Armed Forces
'Crow Target OfCETO Plan--

WASHINGTON, D. C.-(NNPA)-The President's Committee his duty by failing to report the on Equality of Treatment and Opportunity in the Armed Services inadequate heating facilities. Ne will continue to make recommendations looking toward wiping report was ever made that the heating system was not working out racial segregation and discrimination in the Army, President

or that the men did not have Truman had declared Satorday.

Mr. Truman told his press conference last Thursday that he "Furthermore," continued regards the program, proposed by the Army and approved by Colonel Fitzhugh, "there are Defense Secretary Louis Johnson, as a progress report.

There will be continuing recommendations from the Comwas particularly indefensible mittee on Equality of Treatment and Opportunity in the Armed

> Eventually the armed services will reach what was contemplated at the beginning, the President added. It cannot all be done at once, Mr. Truman sale

The progress report, he asserted, was a good one. QUERIED ON PLAN

Mr. Truman's statements were made after he was asked whether the Army's plan for utilization of colored personnel met the requirements of his executive order on equality of treatment and opportunity in the armed services.

Replying to a second question, he said it was his goal to integrate all races in the armed services.

The new plan, announced by Army Secretary Gordon Gray on September 30, was disappointing to colored people, who, byand-large regarded it as a step backward rather than forward.

The plan continued in effect old policy providing for the organization of colored personnel in segregated units no larger than an infantry regiment, opening restricted occupational specialties and service schools to colored personnel, and establishing Army-wide promotion standards.

Opportunities for colored personnel, however, were restricted by continuation of the practice of assigning colored personnel trained for a certain specialty to vacancies existing in an overhead installation or an all-colored unit.

Denouncing the Army's new policy as "a sham policy of 'a little bit of equality," Americans for Democratic Action has called on President Truman to reject the Gray plan and order an end to segregation in the Army.

Plan Meets Reports Indicate

Threatened System

30, 106; July 31, 89, and Aug. 31, 86.

As of Aug. 31, last, there were
23,898 colored persons in the Air
WASHINGTON, D. C.—(NNPA) Force. Of this number, 11,921 - Integration of colored personnelwere still assigned to predominantinto hitherto white units in thely colored units, 5,228 were as-Air Force is working out well, ansigned to white units, and 6,749 Air Force is working out well, ansigned to white units, and 5,749 are rorce spokesman said last Fri-were in transit or in training day.

Since Defense Secretary Louis
Johnson last May 11 approved Air
Force policies to assure equality of treatment and opportunity for all

members of its personnel, the integration program has moved steadily forward, said the spokesman who declined to permit his statements to be attributed to him.

The spokesman revealed that in the Spring of 1942 the Air Force undertook a study of "certain detrimental and debilitating aspects to our then current policies" concerning the utilization of colored personnel almost exclusively in colored units.

TRUMAN'S REQUEST

President Truman issued in September, 1948, his executive order directing the armed services to put into effect as rapidly as possi-ble a policy of equality of treatment and opportunity for their personnel, and Secretary Johnson last May 11 approved Air Force policies providing for the assignment and utilization of colored personnel on the basis of individual capacity.

The Air Force almost immediate y took steps to deactivate the 2,000-man 332d Fighter Wing, an all-colored tactical group stationed at Lockbourne Air Base, Columbus, Ohio, and to reassign individnally its personnel.

As a result of the program of ntegration, by June 30 the number of all-colored units in the Air Force has steadily decreased.

STATISTICS BREAKDOWN

Colored personnel in the Air Force as a December 31, last, were in 118 all-colored units, while 50 predominantly white units contained colored personnel. After implementation of the integration policy was started, the total number of units containing colored personnel increased as follows: June 30,

During the same period the number of all-colored units or predominantly colored units decreased. Part of the decrease was due to inactivation of the various units comprising the 332nd Fighter Wing. No "Problems" Have The decrease in the number of colored units was as follows: June 30, 106; July 31, 89, and Aug. 31, 86.

273; July 31, 439, and Aug. 31, 797.

neral, at its head.

ffecting all Federal agencies, in-

ices policy for civilian employes. The President created his ad-

oration; John H. Sengstacke of

ASHINGTON, Jan 15 - The were not disclosed at this time, policy which takes a long could not be put into effect un-toward ending segregation personnel Board and the Secretary the recommendations

nd discrimination against Ne-of Defense. Two sources, however, agreed The proposed policy is now be-that the proposed policy was a ore James Forrestal, Secretary of "long step forward" in the creation of the equality of opportunity sought by the President's executive orders last summer. Presumreport by the recently created of Negro flers hto the composi-The Air Force first presented its ing the last war. Negro Base Units Studied mmended policy to the Comittee on Equality of Treatment

nttee on Equality of Treatment Suggestary limitations and Opportunity in the Armed strict the Air Force to A Forces, which President Truman fised year 1950 instead of the 5 current-port their plans for ending racial be considered for reassignment appointed last Sept. 18, with ly active hav result in the deactivation discrimination in their respective "throughout the Air Force and to training schools" in line with Air harles Fahy, former Solicitor of units now passed at Locabour to Chip. This is the Air Force's all-Negro base, under command of Col. B. Davis, retary told the services to exam-abilities, the announcement said.

or a nonsegregating, nondistrong decision concerning its proposal to initi-discrimination policy into effect branches, ate a non-segregation policy. Studies con- as rapidly as possible without. At that time the defense secreapproval by the committee, cerning the new policy were initiated impairing efficiency or morale. thich has two Negro members, almost one year ago, it is reported.

he policy was submitted to the The failure to adopt a policy eliminatecretary of Defense.

Ing segregation, it is said, would put Air Johnson's announcement today and should be made" in line with a line with a product chiefly of Force officials in a dilemma as to what said that while he approved the President Truman's order last a line with a line w

ruman's executive orders of authority, desires to disperse this person on their proposals. July 26, 1948. One of these orders, nel to best advantage on an Air Forcemed specifically at the armed wide basis, but cannot undertake such orces, directed the end of dis-rimination, and the second is approved.

tituted a fair employment pracisory Committee on Equality of Preatment and Opportunity in the Armed Forces at that time, but did ot name its members until Sept. 18. In addition to Mr. Fahy, committee members are. A. J. Donahue, Stamford, Conn., resident of the A. J. Donahue corporation; Lester Granger of Ist Step Means Breaking Up Fighter Wing Mass., president of Lever Brothers; ight R. G. Palmer of New York, ident of General Cable Cor-

By the Associated Press. Washington, May 11.-Secrepublisher of The Chicago tary of Defense Johnson today and William E. Steven-approved a new policy of spreadson of Oberlin, Ohio, president of ing Negroes throughout the Air Oberlin College.

Details of the Air Force proposal Force instead of concentrating mem in special units.

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WASHINGTON, May 11 (A) The new policy, officials said, Secretary of Defense Johnson toprovides for assignment of day approved a new policy of dis-Negroes on the basis of individual tribution of Negroes throughout the Air Force instead of concen-

trating them in special units. The aim, the anouncement said, The first step under this policy was to assure equality of treat-will break up the 2,000-man 332d ment and opportunity for all per-

The new Air Force policy stems tical group stationed at Lock-from Johnson's directive April 6 burne Air Force Base, Columbus. groups furing for all the armed services to re-Ohio. Members of this outfit will At that time the Defense Sec-Force needs and their individual

tary told the services to examine their present practices and "determine what forward steps can

on their proposals.

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nits. The 5-12-44 Air Force is 21,020—which is Present Negro strength in the seven per cent of the service's to-Air Force is 21,026—which is 7 tal figure. Of that number 316 per cent of the service's total are officers, five are warrant offifigure. Of that number 316 are cers and the remainder enlisted

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Journal ACIAL segregation within American armed forces has always been an embarrassing paradox, to say the least. We have never been able to explain why, if our democracy is genuine some servicemen are prohibited from serving with their fellow countrymen because of an accident of skin color. And perhaps, if an experiment the Air Force is now E

Two Reports Not O.K. (AP)

Secretary of Defense Johnson night was the first hint of the kind today approved a new policy of of reports the the services made. distributing Negroes throughout the Air Force instead of concentration them in special units. The announcement trains and the announcement trains the announcement trains and the announcement

said, was to assure equality of Johnson said the Air Force has treatment and opportunity for all taken steps to assure equality of persons, regardless of race, relitreatment by providing for assignment of negro personnel "on the basis of individual capacity" and

The new policy, of tals said, on a servicewide basis. Previously, provides for assignment of No negro personnel have been assigned groes on the basis of individual only to "special type units" in the capacity.

He said the Air Force plans to The first step under this policyhave its new anti-discrimination will break up the 2000-man 332nd policy in full operation by the end Fighter Wing, an all-Negro tac. of the year. First Step Is Taken

Air Force.

tical goup stationed at the burne Air Base, Columbus, of io. The first step will be breaking Members of this outfit will be Wing, now stationed at Lockhourne considered for reassignment Air Force Base, Columbus, Ohio "throug out the Air Force and tolts 2000 negro officers and airmen training schools" in line with Airwill be re-assigned to regular Air Force needs and their individual Force units throughout the world abilities, the announcement said. "Other negro personnel will be Present Negro strength in the screened by their commanders, and him Force is 21 026—which is 74 research by their commanders, and

Air Force is 21,026—which is 7their capabilities will be re-evalper cent of the service's total uated with a view toward possible figure. Of that number 316 are re-assignment or additional trainofficers, five are warrant offi-ing as indicated by individual cacers and the remainder enlisted There are about 21,026 negroes in personnel.

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Navy Plan In Dark

and opportunity demanded by President Truman's Executive Order 9981.

The proposals to assure equality of treatment and opportunity for all persons in the Air Force, regardless of race, color, religion or national origin, provide for the assignment and utilization of Negro personnel on the basis of individual capacity. It permits general assignment of such individuals on an Air Force-wide basis. Heretofore, Negroes had been assigned only to special type units.

The Air Force Puts Policy Into

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Negro personnel in the Air Force, comprising the per cent of the total strength of the manders and 20,705 are airment that began with the 99th Fightwarf of the color of the total strength of the strength Opportunities—Army And 11 nurses and four WAF officers.

It has been revealed that Col. B. O. the "basis of individual capacity." This Davis, jr., commanding the 332d Fighter is as it should be; the assignment by Wing, will attend the August class at the race or color has been not only unwashington, May 11. — Deense Secretary Louis Johnson he is studying statements from the Army
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Wednesday night approved Air and Navy concerning their personnel Force plans for assuring equal server practices and policies, but had requested assignment to be given to Colonel nel. But he called on the Army and Navy to "clarify" their plans making a decision. He directed that this BENJAMIN O. Dawis Jr., who compared the personnel information be submitted to him, through those branches.

Johnson late last month directed the personnel Policy Board, by 25 May.

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Secretary Johnson 6 April. He asked them well as commanding officer of Lock-participal to suggest steps that should be made to suggest steps that should be made to attain the uniform equality of treatment.

Af present Colonel Davis is attending the Air University of the Air Force at Maxwell Field, Alabama. If the Air Force is in earnest about the new policy it will see that this fine West Point graduate and combat-tested officer is given a real and not a token command.

It appears that the Air Force has really had a decent change of heart, but final judgment will best wait on events to come. But it has made it less rational for the Army, the Marine Corps, and the Navy's air arm especially to continue to be either racially ex-

to eliminate discrimination in the arm- neidentally, the Jim Crow Negro airmen from Lockbourne will ed services has been the relative great- Thursday. Thirday Science of the relative great-

Truman's Armed Forces Democracy Committee met last week including colored members Lester Granger and John Sengat least by official policy state- stacke (Defender Publisher). They had a session with the President. In their closed sessions, Army was officially represented in ments—in the Navy and the Air Force color by Maj. Steve Davis of General Staff, Navy by Lt. Dennis and the lack of almost any comparable Nelson and Air Forces by Col. B. Of Davis.

"Operations Happiness," an all-Airmen, all-Negro Musical

Review out of Lockbourne is currently touring U. S. Air Force bases and is set for a trip abroad. Showing at Bolling Field in D. C., last week it took the Base and Press by sform. Personally fit in the Air Force, the 332nd Fighter we found it more entertaining, original and professional than Wing with 2,000 men at Lockbourne and above all its "Jitterbug drill feam" deserve raves. And that Air Base near Columbus, Ohio, was WAC chorus line makes the blood race in a Samba number.

Phil Randolph and Grant Reynolds needled Army with abandoned as a Negro unit and the per-another Commission on Inquiry on Army Jim Crow and the tes-

REALLY surprising development clusive or racially discriminatory.

improvement in the Army.

Not fall . Jah. 5-21-49

Last week the chief all-colored outthe Air Force, nearly 7 per cent of its manpower strength. Non-Segregation Order

Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson this week approved an Air Force person egregation sonnel distributed into various other imony is a bitter condemnation. nel policy/which abolishes s Effective immediately, the plan will changes or additional training, in complete operation on or about 31 Dec. Air Force branches. This was explain-

attain the uniform equality of treatment



PPY ASSIGNMENT-Cpl. Ro-Felton of Roxbury, Mass., finds new duties at the Marietta my Air Base a happy assignment. on as shown examinating a at along with Sgt. Francis Neure. Felton is the first of his race receive an assignment at the Base and is a skilled photograp-Army Air Force Photo.

ando, Florida, where he had served in a similar capacity.

MARIETTA Ga.—Smiling, amiis a challenge to Felton. The genial
be, hard-working Cpl. Robert Felvoungster working hard-working opi. Robert Fer. youngster wants to make good at his 22, of Roxbury, Mass., is the new post so that opportunities for others destined to follow in his footwith President Harry S. conduct, conduct, ce with President Harry conduct. conduc runity in the armed services.

Felton got his big chance for photography work and study at Orland and reported to the Air lando. He was selected from a horde of would-be Air Force camera clutchers to study the technical as-

cit recognition of his achievement segregation when it comes to the of its colored personnel. in this specialized field of photo-Job we're doing. It's too important COLORED PERSONNEL

and urged that he send him a copy of the story as early as possible.

QUARTERED AT BASY

Cpl. Felton is quartered on the base. He is anxiously awaiting the

day when his wife, who is stinn in Orlando, joins him here. When his wife, Mrs. Eloise Felton, arrives in Georgia, Felton hopes to get a small apartment near the post.

Off duty, Cpl. Felton's hobby is still photography. He has his per-sonal camera and equipment and like all shutterbugs, take pride in showing off his work, He has some very good photographic work to his

Felton was inducted into the service October 29, 1945, at Ft. Devens, Mass. He then was shifted to Sheppard Field, Texas, and from there to Orlando. Texas. He married ur- The Air Force plan for ining June, 1948 and is still "honeymooning."

be very happy how things are ed out several months ago but to be sent to him through Thom-

Felton is the first Negro to be assigned to an "all-white" unit unreportedly asked W. Stuart The request for additional inder the United States Air Force's Symington, Secretary of the Air formation from the Army and
new non-segregation policy, in the to hold it up until the Army was New wa 14th Air Force area.

Alabama, Tennessee, Florida, Geor- of colored personnel. seven Southeastern States of Miss., Alabama, Tennessee, Florida, Georgia, and the two Carolinas. He will
not be the last to assume duties plan to former Defense Secre-Army became effective, and from g with the Air Force in the South- tary James Forrestal, who re-

Felton works Base Photographic If he does a bad one, well, he'll permits assignment of them on a section along with five other soldiers, get credit for it. If he does a good an Air Force-wide basis. PreHis closest working companion is job, he'll get credit for it too. Other viously, colored personnel has set.

Sgt. Francis Neufville who kids than that, he's Corporal Frank Fel been assigned only to special they're making my picture so much period!"

Deactivation And 332nd Group Planned

By NNPA News Service WASHINGTON, D. C.-

the Army Kenneth Royall, who 25.

pects of the photography at Lowery Army Air Field, near Denver, from time to time, other men Colorado, where the Air Force from the now broken up all-Negro School of Photography is located from the now broken up all-Negro squadrons of the Air Force will be and was awarded his certificate and returned to await a permanent assignment.

When the Air Force sent him to Marietta, Felton was gratified. The Air Base there offered new worlds to conquer and he felt that the taction of his achievement. Segregation when it comes to the of its colored personnel.

graphy, along with the assignment judices to weaken our efforts.

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They're making my picture so much beriod!"

It seems as though have done beriod!"

Meanwhile Sgt. Chuck Black, mentation of the Air Force's Staff Sgt. Henry H. Allen is like-Public Information Office, Mariet-new policy, Secretary Johnson wise proud of Felton being added to Air Force Base is glad to have said, will be the deactivation of the Base Photographic staff Felton around to take pictures for the 332nd Fighter Wing, an all-staff Sgt. Allen personally develop-him. Lockbourne Air Base, Columbus, Ohio, This is the only colored Air Force combat unit, and a majority of the highly skilled colored Air Force specialists are

assigned to it.

Members of the 332nd will be considered individually for reassignment throughout the Air of Force and to training schools, as consonant with the need of Air Far Force commands and with in \$25 dividual capacities.

COL. BENJAMIN DAVIS

Col. Benjamin O. Davis Jr., commander of the Lockbourne Air Force Base and of the 332nd will probably be sent to the Air 5 University at Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Ala., for further training prior to reassignment.

The Air Force plan for in-tegration of colored person-nounced that he is studying re-N PIONEER ROLE

nel to assure equality of ports received from the Army staff Sgt. Allen hopes to make it treatment and opportunity and Navy concerning their pereasy for Felton in his pioneering for all of its members was sonnel practices and policies. He sold on him. easy for Felton in his pioneering for all of its members was something and policies. The said he had requested these approved last Wednesday by said he had requested these approved last Wednesday by services to submit to him additional clarifying information of Defense Louis Johnson ought to The Air Force plan was work.

The Air Force plan was work. was not put into effect at the as R. Reid, chairman of the Perrequest of former Secretary of sonnel Policy Board, by May

to hold it up until the Army was Navy was interpreted in informed & The 14th Air Force covers the given a chance to make some circles to mean that Mr. Johnson is a strong Southeastern States of Miss improvements in its utilization not satisfied with the reports he received from Mr. Royall, before

DO BE SCREENED

Other colored personne! throughout the Air Force will be screened by their respective commands and their capabilities re-evaluated with a view to possible assignment changes or additional training, as indicated by indivdual case's.

Prior policy, taken from the Army, has specified that 10 per cent of the Air Force strength be composed of colored personnela figure based on the percentage of colored people in the national population.

Secretary Johnson said "The new policy will relieve the earlier, administratively difficult and expensive effort to absorb the total Negro quota into a few specialized units and into certain selected vocational specialties.

The Air Force policy statement govern the utilization of bots provides that one standard shall white and colored personnel in the Air Force.

Atlantan At lexas

Lackland, situated near San An-

base, center of Air Force basic training for airmen and women, indoctrination station for prior service reenlistees and home of the AF's terson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, Lowry Air Force Base. Officer Candidate School.

into Air Force technical training management. and for assignment in specialized work. The course will include a scientfiic evaluation of his aptitude and inclination for following a par- New York. ticular vocation and career.

e first two Negro senior pilots in Air Force nistory were recently awarded senior pilot ratings.

They are Col. B. O Davis Jr. of Washington, formerly commander of the 332nd Fighter Wing, now at the Air University Lita well Field, Ala and Cast, James T. Wiley of Pittsburgh, overseas compat pilotta station d at Wright rield, Ohio. Senior product ratings depend on the accumulation of 2,000 hours of flying lime and at least seven years of continuous service.

Colonel Davis To Attend Air

War College

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(NNPA)—pital, The Reassignment of colored personnel First Lieut. George J. Hes, Single Reassignment of colored Lock-Technical Training Group, Lowry Chickens at Stationed at the all-colored Lock-Technical Training Group, Lowry Chickens Colored Loc Reassignment of colored personnel First Lieut. George J. Iles, 3413 Force Base, Columbus, Ohio, home of the 332d Fighter gence Officers' course.

Wing, has been completed in the Warrant Officer Junior Grade)

cordance with the Air Force's plan Vernon E. Prector, 626th Air Forces Commanding Officer for integration of colored personnel, Band, Lackland Air Force Base, of the 332nd, was

were as follows:

Majors George L. Knox and Wil-Force.
liam A. Campbell, assigned to Institute of Technology, Wright-Pat3415th Technical Training Wing, with permanent duty station at the Her thirteen weeks of basic train- University of Pittsburgh to pursue Air Refueling Squadron, Smoky ing will prepare him for entrance graduate course in special advanced Hill Air Force Base, Kansas.

Major Vance H. Marchbanks, and ment to United States Air Major Bryce C. Anthony, Medical Europe. Group, assigned to the First Sta- First Lieut. Robert J. Johnson Force Base, California.

Medical Service Corps, 568th Medi- Air Force Base, Illinois. cal Ambulance Group, Fort Ben- First Lieut. George E. Bell, Air ning, Georgia.

and First Lieut. Susie A. Pinkney Bas. Middletown, Pennsylvania. seas Replacement Depot, Hamilton Air Force Base, California, for further assignment to Headquarters,

Alaskan Command. First Lieut. Thomas B. Smith and Major Edward H. Cooper, Medical Corps, 1600th Medical Service Squadron, Westover Air Force Base, Massachusetts.

First Lieut, Max Yergan, Jr., Medical Corps, 52d Station Medical Squadron, Mitchel Air Force Base, New York

First Lieut. Elabeth T. Dozier, Nurse Corps, 3345 Station Medical Squadron Chanute Air Force Base, Illinois.

First Lieut. Cora L. Tucker, Nurse Corps. Valley Forge General Hos-

Force, 2349th Overseas Replacement Major Charles A. Newsome, Den- Depot, Hamilton Air Force Base, for tonio, is the world's largest air force tal Corps, United Air Force, Europe, further assignment to 13th Air

Capt. Charles E. McGee, 301st

First Lieut. Harold H. Brown, 33-Capt. Vernal G. Cave, Medical 80th Technical Training Group, Corps, assigned to 52d Station Medi-Kessler Air Force Base, Mississippi, cal Group, Mitchel Air Force Base, for purpose of attending Electron ics Officers' course.

Capt. Alfred E. McWilliams, chap- Second Lieut. John J. Johnson lain, assigned to the Ninth Strate- Air Force, 2225th Overseas Replace gic Reconnaissance Wing, Fairfield- ment Depot, Camp Kilmer, Steel-Suisun Air Force Base, California. ton, New Jersey, for further assign-

tion Medical Group, March Air Army, Army, Department of the Army, Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Capt. Virdumerous Nickols, Den-tal Corps, 3310th Station Medical Grace C. Scott, and Jouise H. Group, Scott Air Force Base, Illi-Wright Durse Corps) and James nois.

H. Williams, Medical Service Corps, First Lieut. Alfred J. Caignet 3310 Station Medical Group, Scott

Force, headquarters and headquart. First Lieut. Nancy C. Leftenant ers squadron, Middletown Air Ma-

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reassignment this week of 35 Medical Service Corps, 1000 Medi-cal Group, Westover Air Force Force anount of that it had completed the deactivation of the

all-Magro 332nd Ficher Wing formerly stationed at Lockhourne Air

the air force announced this week. Florida Colonel Benjamin O. Davis, Jr., First Lieut. Henry P. Miles, Sig-assigned to the Air commanding officer of the base and nal Corps, United tates Army, Per-University to attend Commanding officer of the base and also of the 332d Fighter Wing, has been reassigned to the Air University to attend the Air War College, the announcement said.

OFFICER REASSIGNMENTS

The number of colored enlisted men reassigned was not made public, but the officer reassignments were as follows:

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First Lieut. Daniel L. James, Air Force 2349th Overseas Replacement

Defender

Defender Sat. 10-29-49 Chicago, 111.

Air Force Segregation-With the granting of additional authority to his 1 All Force Segregation—With the granting of additional authority to his Inel Policy Board, Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson is likely to take early act the Air Force proposal to abolish segregation and to break up the all-Negro 332 wing a Lockbourne AFR, Ohio It is understood that the Air Force is engermented in the new personnel policy as soon as possible in order to meet budg ary menents. The Air Force explained details of the policy at a recent meet in the fresident's Committee on Equanty of Opportunity and Treatment in the state of the policy are held this matter undilighteen the personnel Policy Board has had this matter undilighteen. The names and duty assign ments of the description of the sunderstood that the Air Force is eager an imprenent the new personnel policy as soon as possible innorder to meet budg ary appropriately as soon as possible innorder to meet budg ary appropriately as soon as possible innorder to meet budg ary appropriately as soon as possible innorder to meet budg ary appropriately as soon as possible innorder to meet budg ary appropriately are appropriately as soon as possible innorder to meet budg ary appropriately as soon as possible innorder to meet budg ary appropriately are appropriately as soon as possible innorder to meet budg ary appropriately as soon as possible innorder to meet budg ary are the description of the descriptio

FEW weeks age the Air Force an- Secretary Johnson has frankly told the armed services without regard June 20. race. This week the Navy's latest he same time Secretary Johnson sent ing officers resisting

entire sequence of action stems from ize this, the better. the long-standing demand by Negroes Fighter that the discriminatory and segregations of the military services be eliminated, and more immediately Reassigned 66 are patterned after the informal sugon Equality of Treatment and Opportunity in the Armed Forces (FAHY

The news story on the announcement concerning the approved Navy

ment concerning the approved Navy policy gives the details. One of the most significant of the announced steps to be taken is this: "To disestablish within the Marine Corps the present separate Negro recruit training facility and integrate the training of Negro peruits with that of whites."

Equally important is this part of the Navy's policy statement: "All personnel will be enlisted or appointed, trained, advanced or promoted, assigned duty, and administered in all respects without regard to race, color, religion, or national origin." And again, "In the utilization of housing, messing, berthing, and other facilities, no special or unusual provisions will be made for but in a Lockbourne Air Force and Lockbourne are to so to have throughout the world Lieutenant Cooper's assignment is with the U.S. Air Force in Europe.

This is the first move to put into effect the Air Force's policy providing for equality of treatment and opportunity of personnel approved by Secretary of Detense Louis Johnson on May Unit I Lockbourne personnel have been examined at their station. ing, and other facilities, no special or All Lockbourne personnel have unusual provisions will be made for been examined at their station the accommodation of any minority to determine their availability

A nounced the discontinuance of the the Army that its recommendations all-colored fighter group under the "still fail to meet the basic intent of command of Colonel Benjamin O. Executive Order 998 (by President DAVIS JR., at Lockbourne Air Base, Co-TRUMAN) and my memorandum of umbus, Ohio, and the distribution of April 6." He has directed the Army to the personnel throughout that branch resubmit more acceptance plans by

olicy on utilization of Negro and other No stone should be left unturned to minority personnel was approved by make the recalcitrant Army brass obey befense Secretary Louis Johnson. At this order., Not even those high rank-

democratic endations on the same subject as be-changes in the Army will deny that military organization are militarily un-me Navy's statement was declared sound and dangerous. A new policy segregation and discrimination in a an official National Military Estab- and practice in the Army is vital to our shment statement Tuesday as "assur-security and to our standing in the ing equality of treatment and oppor-world as a really democratic nation.
tunity for all Navy personnel." The The sooner the Army is made to real-

and fitness for possible reassign

ment or entrance in training To the 3750th Technical Trainin schools.

Wing, Shepard AFB, Wichits Falls

squadron, Mitchel AFB, New York were Capt. Marion R. Rodgers, Columbus, Ohio, and Ft. Lt. Samuel W. Watts, New York, both cryytographic officers.

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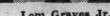
Going to the strategic air command, Sist Reconnaissance Wing, McGuire AFB, Fort Bix. N.J., were Capt Lott S. Carter, Hartford, Conn., chemical officer; Capt. Fitzroy Newsura, Brooklyn, N.Y., telephone and telegraph officer; Ist. Lt. John F. Briggs, St. Louis, Mc., aerial photographic officer: to the 35th Reconnaissance Wing, Topeka AFB, Topeka, Kans., St. Capt. Lillian W. Duncan, War. New Yestovar AFB, Chicope Falls, Mass., pt. Capt. Lillian W. Duncan, Chicago, aerial photographic officer.

Assigned to the 311th Air Division Topeka, AFB, Topeka, Kans., was 2nd. Lt. Elbert H. McGee Jr., Cleveland, adjutant; to the 27th Fighter Wing, Bergstrom AFB, Austin, Texas, Lt. George H. O. Martin, Denver, Colo.; 2nd Lt. Harold K. Hobkins, Pertisand, Orse, and and Lt. Theibert B. Wormack, Cincinnati, Ohio; to the 2nd Fighter Wing, Granier AFB, Harold K. Theibert B. Wormack, Cincinnati, Ohio; to the 2nd Fighter Wing, Granier AFB, Harold K. Theibert B. Wormack, Cincinnati, Ohio; to the 2nd Fighter Wing, Granier AFB, Harold K. Theibert B. Wormack, Cincinnati, Ohio; to the 2nd Fighter Wing, Granier AFB, Harold K. Theibert B. Wormack, Cincinnati, Ohio; to the 2nd Fighter Wing, Granier AFB, Harold K. Theibert B. Wormack, Cincinnati, Ohio; to the 2nd Fighter Wing, Granier AFB, Harold K. Theibert B. Wormack, Cincinnati, Ohio; to the 2nd Fighter Wing, Granier AFB, Harold K. Theibert B. Wormack, Cincinnati, Ohio; to the 2nd Fighter Wing, Granier AFB, Harold K. Theibert B. Wormack, Cincinnati, Ohio; to the 2nd Fighter Wing, Granier AFB, Harold K. Theibert B. Wormack, Cincinnati, Ohio; to the 2nd Fighter Wing, Granier AFB, Harold K. Theibert B. Wormack, Cincinnati, Ohio; to the 2nd Fighter Wing, Granier AFB, Harold K. Theibert B. Wormack, Cincinnati, Ohio; to the 2nd Fighter Wing, Stroky, Hill AFB, Salina Kan. Chief Warrant Officer, Otto W. Weddington, Memphys, Tenni, as passenger and freight fransportation officer; and State AFB, Topeka, Walland, Columbus, Ohio, electronic officers' course, Let L. Louis H. Lawron, Columbus, Ohio, elec

The names and duty assign Texas, Capt. Woodrow W. Crockett.

that integration is what we want

Now we are going to get a chance to watch a scale-model



integration plan at work on a Army Air Field. The United States Air Force has elected specially screened and generally well-equipped Negro youths are to launch what appears, at least on paper, to be a genuine just the men to conquer the pitfalls of integration, to overcome the disadvantages of rank, to give the integration idea a thorough integration program and the famous "Red Tail" fliers, to the disadvantages of rank, to give the integration idea a thorough who have pioneered in many other things since the Air Some ody must pay the price for integration so that we can know whether it works and whether or not this is the thing we nominated for this significant test. The unit is to be really want. It leads that the price must be paid. The majority abolished and the men will be spread throughout the of us watching the Negro fliers and airmen as they sweat out and the really appears and airmen as they sweat out and the really appears and airmen as they sweat out and the really appears and airmen as they sweat out and the really appears and airmen as they sweat out and the really appears and airmen as they sweat out and the really appears and airmen as they sweat out and the really appears are really appears. Air Force.

WE CAN now stop kidding ourselves and face up to is what we want. But we had betthe realistic facts of integration. It is no rose-strewn machinery is being geared for path. For the men of the 332nd, and for those of us who more and more of the anxiously kibitz from the sidelines, this is going to be U.S. life and it we come the sidelines. rugged going. We are going to find out some things is say we want it and we must about integration that we never stopped to think about have it. Segregation must go, when we called for an end to jim crow. Here are some if we are to achieve group and of the things we will discover:

(1) We will face a "lost gap" in terms of hightions or the demoralizing indigechelon positions in the initial phases of integration; hities of jim crow. Good luck, (2) the protections and special favors, like quotas, quali-fellows, in this, your finest hour!!! fication differentials, and such security as is inherent in specialized classifications, will be lost to us; (3) we l will be at an initial disadvantage in terms of preparation, education, training, experience and rank in the integrated system and will be somewhat less able to compete in the broad channels of American life because we have conaftioned ourselves to the rather less exacting conditions of achieving success within the jim-crow framework. (It is a course of considerable bitterness among 332nd pilots similar flying experience in white units. This can not be fare, the U. S. Air Force is moving forthrightly to implement its held by the fight initiated by Gov. William H. Hastie of the Virgin lands when he was civilian aide units traceable to the disinclination of Negro Collination of Negro Collination. uation is traceable to the disinclination of Negro Col regation policy. B. O. Davis Jr. to recommend promotions of these men Already 50 officers formerly aswho have been under his command practically all their signed to the all-Negro 332nd Air Force high command to avoid top War Department brass to acAir Force lives. It is significant that the only two Negro Base have been assigned uniform—
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The Air Force high command to avoid top War Department brass to acany horse-play in carrying out cept any plans advanced by him the service's new policy for util for training Negro pilots. The Air flying officers who have achieved any considerable rank, ly without regard to race through-Colonel Davis himself and Lieut. Col. George Spencer out the Air Force command, and Roberts, received all of their promotions from white su-fully another 30 officers have clearperiors.

There will be other minor dislocations which will Although the screening of the require psychological adjustments in this new situation, 332nd Fighter Wing personnel is of Staff, stated unequivocally that Hastie. Last June 8, as advisor to being done at Lockbourte reasNegroes, forced by the system of jim crow, to develop an signments are being done at Lockbourte reaswith rorce commands, Gen-war Department and quietly pureral Vandenberg, Air Force Chief sued the pioneering steps taken by
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Grandle is a state of the command of the commands of the commands of the command of affinity for the consolation and comforts of the social washington, thereby remoting any to formerly white units or activi memorandum to Secretary Symand physical ghetto, will now find themselves isolated possibility of local pretatives or ties will have no place in the Air ington which he proposed the Air in small numbers, among large numbers of what many prejudices entering into the apper- Force structure."

have been conditioned to consider hostile whites. This Non-Bias Recruit Commanders that discomfort will, of course, be of short duration.

In the case of these initial efforts at integration, force to integrate Negroes thruwhich of a necessity must be taken before the general out the service. A check by the had it definitely understood ton. Evans recommended that the commended that the commende atmosphere changes to integration, these men will have Defender with local recruiting of another difficulty psychological adjustment to make fices here including one near They will operate on their Air Force posts in a climate Washington's predominantly Neartingly different force posts in a climate "U" Street, indicate that Air entirely different from that of the average civilian U. S. Force recruiting orders contain no community. In addition they will generally find them-reference to racial breakdown as undisputedly is the direct product marily, and not upon the basis of selves losing their command positions and having to take in the past.

Subordinate posts at least until they demonstrate, to the high ranking Negro field grade of Force personnel, back of the strong of Negro Air Force personnel in Force personnel, back of the strong of Negro Air Force personnel in the past." satisfaction of many whites who will take a dim and ficers to the Air Force national position which they have taken is labor units, Evans told Secretary cynical view of this move, that they have the capacity for establishment in the Pentagon, seen as a result of the long pro-Symington that "it is not reason-here, is expected shortly,"

command and can achieve the respect of their

THIS IS a tough row for these two men to hoe. But we have to unit of about 2,000 Negroes. They are the officers and start somewhere. Having been personally close to the 332nd from the Hampton Roads port of embarkation to win glory overseas in men of the all-Negro 332nd Fighter Wing at Lockbourne World War II, this reporter insists that these 2,000 well-trained Army Air Field. The United States Air Force has elected specially screened and generally well-equipped Negro youths ar

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Air Force Leads Way In Inte

(Defender Washington Bureau)

are awaiting reassignment.

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At a Pentagon meeting on April part of the Army.

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digious fight waged behind the able to conclude that all Negro

Negro Air Force lieutenant has As former assistant civilian aide to been assigned at the national level the Secretary of the Army, Evans held by op ranking Negro Army Islands when he was civilian aide officers.

Positive steps were taken as resigned his then \$6,000 a year early as two months ago by the post in protest to the refusal of Air Force high command to avoid top War Department brass to ac-Force at that time operated as a

ed the screening board to date and 12 and 13 with commanders of the Undismayed Evans came to the major Air Force commands, Gen-War Department and quietly pur-

General Vandenberg told the tion. Evans' proposal, incidentally, commanders that selected qualiecutive Order banning racial dis-

that "direct attention to this chang- Lockbourne be deactivated and that Negro personnel be reassigned and difused throughout the service, "upon the basis of techni-While the new Air Force policy cal specialty and proficiency, pri-

rmy im crow made cynical, bitter men out of patriotic young Negrosoldiers was g instrated here Wednesday as the Committee Against Jim Crow in Military Service and Training, set ip by President Truman at the suggestion of A. Philip Randolph, held its mock trial of Army and Navy Jim Crow before a distinguished secretary of war, thus going over

Committee Of Inquiry at Patriotic the hear of his commanding of

With Randolph and Grant Rey- Although Underserretary of War nolds, national co-chairmen of the Patterson was outraged and was committee, on hand, having arrived indirectly responsible or remitting from New York Wednesday morn- Lie tenterce to 101 days, stating ng, the commission, which in that an erlisted man ought o have luded Superior Court Judge Stan- the right to complain to the Presiand Congressman Will dent, if need be, Black said he feels and testimony by three he saffe ed reprisais. I or show former commissioned and non-never get to Officers' Candidate commissioned officers imprisoned School," he said. during the war because they pro- Elack said he seed both in ested Army jim crow.

demonstrated the contention of for-mer Lt. Roger Terry, one of 101 Negro Air Force officers jailed at Freeman Field, Ind. in 1944, that jim crow in the service of their country casts a shadow over the lives of Negro boys and young men.

Graphically illustrating the sol-

cific Thestre for bombardiers by penditures by any executive departthe time it got the Negroes trained, ment 200 DISTINCTION flying experience.

Another bitter witness was former dulges in costly racial distinctions." Technical Sergeant William Boyd Black, who got a years sentence e to wrote a letter of pronat jim crow to the unde

mixed and im crov utfits and Testimony of the young men found the former groups so well orientated there were no incidents

ANP hearings at the 12th Street YMCA, Graphically illustrating the soldiers' bitterness over being forced into maction and menial service into maction and menial service just because of their race was the tee Against Jim Grow in Military these hearings much data has been on something about which every around this? Listen to this state-bitter testimony of former Lt. Mars-bitter testimony of former Lt. Mars-bitter testimony of the soldier testimony of the s den I mompson, who with I erry made public a letter which theyoffered to turn over to Congressand another Lieutenant, was made sent to Cong. William Dawson onman Dawson should his committee HOWEVER, official Washington promotion of colored personnel is an example of and court-martialed. March 2, requesting him to "launch decide to launch such an investiga- seems to be in a mood for drag-authorized in the same manner as The mass move of Negro fliers on an immediate investigation of thetion.

Thompson, who said his enlist- Cong. Dawson, who is chairman discrimination would become "one Therefore, the hearings should utilized in the higher rank." ment in 1941 was deferred dis- of the House Committee on Expen- of the monumental inquiries by a be supported and given the widest ment in 1941 was deferred discouraging months until the Army ditures in the Executive Depart-congressional body."

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pilet, Thompson said, because Negro In view of this information the trainees at Tuskegee in the early officials of the committee against days of the air field there got in-Dawson to also have his commit-adequate training and insufficient tee investigate the Veterans Administration which they say "in-

> The anti-Jim Crow committee has established a Commission of Inqui-



8 at Washington, D. C. the Committee Against Jim Crow in the Armed Services will conduct public hearings on segregation and discrimination in the armed forces. The mittee, holding the hearings, is made up of that portion of A. Philip Rapdolph's followers whom he led back on the path of right-eousness after a took them his some troubled waters with his civil disobedience campaign last summer.

This column supported Ran- by the Marine Corps commandolph's attacks on Jim Crow in dant, T. Holtomb. It is didd May the armed forces before he launch- 14, 1942 ed is civil desobedience program.

It will support his fampaign
THE FIRST paragraph simply against Jim Crow in the armed tells the reader that the letter is services again now that he has being sent in connection with the dropped his civil disobedience "handling of colored personnel."

The second paragraph states that

It is difficult to see what can the initial assignment of colored be gained at this time by holding Marines to the Corps will be in the public hearings and having rank of private and private first people testify how the colored class. man had a hard time in the armed Then comes paragraph 3, as folservices for the simple reason that lows: "While rapid promotion, he was colored. Any person who when deserved, is necessary, it is has ever been remotely associated essential that in no case shall there with the Army, Navy or Air colored non-commissioned of-

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terial available to the committee station. Bo you think promotions came very fast?

One of the documents being Paragraph 5 of the letter states a furnished the committee by this that "Beyond the continental" column is worth noting here. It limits of the United States, comshows clearly how the Marine manding officers will control pro-Corps, a component of the Navy, motion of colored personnel as began to lay plans to segregate necessary to carry out the spirit

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do menial work in the messmen's service. Navy chiefs, on the other hand, point out that the Navy avoids segregating white from colored, while the Army maintains strict segregation in most camp facilities. Secretary Johnson meanwhile has ordered the Army to think up new ways of increasing opportunity for its Negroes. Incidentally, the Air Force has done much to break down segregation.

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ther proposal. inat time he rejected both the facilities for New plans, ordering hem to furnish him with additional clarifying information. With the market of the performance of th the Navy's plan accepted, newly statement which will be sent to all ships and stations states:

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secent the Army's sec- In turning down the second proproposal for assuring posed Army plan, Secretary Johnson said he fully recognized that the problem of integrating Negroes within a framework of and whites "is of greater magnitude in the Army than in either the Navy or Air Force." He added, "Nevertheless, I am forced to the conclusion that your proposal in

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I Is Signed To End Segregation

Becomes Law

By HUB LOGAN

oned observe's argue that conclusion that your proposal in reply to my second memorandum segregation and discrimination which are the Defense Secretary restains that "it still fails to the basic intent" of Presitivation of Pres

If Secretary Johnson gave qualified Negro students to enlist taking civil service examinations State police patrol. setting June 20 as the Negro stewards are given opportunity veterans because of war service gest to the gas station property setting June 20 as the tunity to change to other branches may be used at only one promote to have the sign removed because for submitting still a station of the gas station property of the sign removed because if they desire.

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WASHINGTON - At is Army removed.

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3. Exert greater effort to attract ence shall be given veterans contacted officials of the Virginia pronounced nidway world.

Bradley

outlined in an im-posed a "racial-equality program" Air Force has a minimum require-C.—Indi-portant speech at Fort Knox acceptable to Louis Johnson, Sec-ment of 90. in every quarter early Ky. last August. On that occas retary of Defense. The Air Force per cent quota, based on the na-

ek pointed definitely tolon, General Bradley said:

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conclusion that your proals in reply to my second By WALTER H. WAGGONER emorandum on this subject

Special to TRE NEW YORK TIMES.
WASHINGTON, July 16—Dis-Executive Order 9,981 and cussions between the Army and a The Army's racial policy today the Army can remain alone among the new deadline of June 20 of Negro service men have been a speech at Fort Knox, Ky, last for the new proposals brought to a virtual stand-still by August 12.

officials are insisting week or two, and it will be sup-pilots into a non-segregated unit policy of racial integration ported by samplings of public has the effect of racial policy of racial policy of collected by Army of the Negrot the Negro policy of racial integration ported by samplings of public has the effect of raising the efficiency of the Negroes, the opposite is true of ground forces, in which, onformity with local racial property one of the declared, efficiency is lowered on the country of the declared is essentially what its. The Army is the only one of the and morale frequently destroyed. of Staff General Omar B three services that has not yet pro- The Army also regards its lower

enlistment standards as a deterrent to swift reforms or the elimination, for example, of the quota system. The Army minimum "intelligence" rating requirement is 70, as measured by the Army's

Fahy Committee, in effect repre-view of the problem can be ex-senting the White House in the pected from Secretary of the Johnson racial policy discussions, will ac- Army Gordon Gray.

ept the Army's newest proposals. The Fahy committee is far from If they still insist on conformance optimistic. Although its members At the same time, the Army with the Army, members have insparticular item. The result is anot been promising. And as the deadlock that only President Tru-Ley group in the reform of armedman may be able to break. service policy toward racial minor-

ee from June 20 to July This policy of following commu-panies. It will change that policy and finally to the present nity custom will be re-stated to when the nation as a whole compared to the postpone. This policy of following commu-panies. It will change that policy the postpone. The President's group, the Fahy changes it."

Committee on Equality of Treat. This argument is supplemented ment and Opportunity in the tions. Army officers contend that, Armed Services, within the next whereas the integration of Negro

and, therefore, permitted to occupy seats of their choice.

The driver admitted that they were on a government reservation, but said they were riding on the bus company's property and, therefore, were governed by city and state segregation laws.

Two of the colored airmen elected to move to the rear and two accepted refunds and got off the bus.

On last Thursday a colored airman occupied a front seat after boarding a bus at Maxwell Field, but moved to the rear when ordered to do so.

COMPLIANCE ORDERED

The superintendent of the Montgomery City Lines, Inc., J. H. Bagley, said he has instructed his drivers to comply "fully with all city and state segregation laws."

"He reminded them that a driver

"He reminded them that a driver who does not enforce the segregation laws subjects both himself and the bus company to a fine for violating both city and state laws.

Bagley also pointed out to his drivers that under city law each bus driver has police power to enforce segregation.

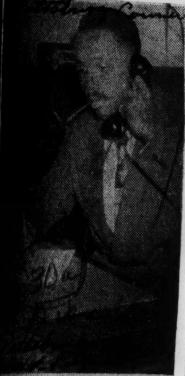
He also noted that segregation laws have been enforced against white persons who attempted to ride in the Jim Crow section of buses. One man, he said, was required to leave the bus when he refused to vacate a seat in the rear and another white man was arrest ed and fined for the same offense.

All Maxwell Field personnel have been indoctrinated in the Air Force policy providing for integration of colored personnel. Colored airmen recently have, on one or two occasions, requested admittance to a swimming pool and to the Airmen's Club and have been admitted. Both facilities formerly were for white airmen only.

Tomlinson Granted

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milson of Philadelphia, Pa., ha has taken the U.S. Army row policy. The NAACP is acking his suit in U. S.

elphia Negro has started a legal for almost as long as America has gerow, commandant, Second Army at Fort Meade, Md.:

The other defendants are Maj. after draft dodging charges were a filed against him. He was a mem. battle against being drafted into a had men under arms. timerow army. He is DeVreaux Evans says he believes the plan

Thurgood Marshall, a leading con-the only Negro schools offering stitutional attorney. 1-2-49

Evans put the first college Ne-In an exchange of letters between groes in civilian pilot training un-Tomlinson and his draft board, the der CAA just before the war. board maintained that the Selective The first unit was at W. Virginia nated as defendants, but that a over the issue of segregated units on leave.

Tomfinson asserted that he would under no circumstances serve in a imcrow unit, and demanded "writen assurances that I will not be required to serve my country segregated from fellow-countrymen of other races solely because of my race or color."

Without such assurances he asked for indefinite deferment and a

(Defender Florida Bureau) Evans, advisor to Defense in an unsegregated Army, rights. Secretary Forrestal, here to when U.S. District Court He asked the court to restrain unveil a memorial placque Judge J. Cullen Ganey, last the Selective Service Board and the for his father, Rev. J. R. Thursday, denied a govern-Army from inducting him and to Erms, revealed that he has hear ment motion to dismiss his in unless his conditions concerning inner met. approval of a plan to completely junction suit, filed last Dec segregation were met.

integrate Negroes in air forces. 27, attacking the legality of a Negro's Segregation Suit in the air force last summer.

His success brings to a climax the fight started by Governor Hastie of the Virgin Islands, who resigned as civilian aide to the secretary of war, when the army failed to follow his recommenda-tions of ending military dicrimin-

sents concentrated work for ab-PHILADELPHIA.—A young Phil-olition of a policy that has stood

romlinson, 25, of 2217 W. Ingersoll will soon be put into operation, St., merchant seaman in World War of the restimates range up to one year. He viewed officially the air maneuvers held here, and express-

Judge Ganey ruled that Hershey, Gross and Gerow should be elimifurther hearing should be held to determine if Major Cullen and the draft board had guarded all of Tomlinson's rights.

of Local Draft Board 124.

Defendants Only Agents

Mr. Kallick argued that Hershey,

The jurist said that the Local Selective Draft Board 124 at 15th

and Chestnut Sts., failed to act on a "timely" request by Tomlinson that the induction be deferred until he was given assurance that he would not be segregated. Local Board Erred

He found that the board should have granted or denied Tomlinson's deferment request, and that its failure to do so did not give him "all the rights" to which he is entitled under the Selective Service

Judge Ganey added that considof the matter may disclose that Tomlinson's induction order was invalid in the first place.

The plaintiff, who filed the action the day before he was to be inducted, said he was willing to DeVreaux Tomlinson, 26, of serve as a soldier, but not if the MIAMI, Fla. — James C. first round in his fight to serve would be discriminatory and in vans, advisor to Defense in an unsegregated Army violation of his constitutional

The court's decision means that squinst fring b opposite merits of the suit will be by Habet po A. Market

Deverally Tominson, 26-year-ol Philadelphia Negro, has droppe his "segregation" suit against the

Franklin H. Williams, counsel for Tomlinson, said the suit had been He was referring to these de Defense Louis Johnson's recent antional draft director; Henry M. Johnson's directive told military Gross, Pennsylvania draft director officials not to practice segregation discrimination against Negroes

Dorsey H. Cullen, commander at filed against him. He was a memthe Schuykil Arsenal Induction ber of the Merchant Marine during Center here, and the four members World War II.

He said he failed to appear for induction because his draft board declined to "guarantee" he would not be segregated because of h

The Negro now is 26 and not eli-

Cullen was "merely an agent carry-ing out orders," and that the draft board had nothing to do with a "segregated Army, if there be such a thing."

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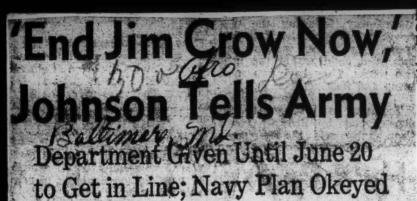
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Court's Ruling



WASHINGTON - (NNPA) - Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson, who in May accepted the Air Force's plan for integration of its personnel, approved the Navy's revised equality plan last week, but rejected for the second time the Army's proposals for abolishing segregation.

In what amounted to an ultimatum to the Department of the Army, Mr. Johnson asked it to restudy its position on the subject, considering carefully suggestions made by the President's Committee on Equality of Treatment and Opportunity in the Armed Forces, and to submit to him a new plan by June 20.

Implements Truman's Order
The plans originally proposed

To Integregate Marine Corps

6. To abolish within the Marine

Forces, and to submit to him a new plan by June 20.

Implements Truman's Order
The plans originally proposed were submitted by the Secretaries of the Army, Navy and Air Force in response to a directive issued by the Defense Secretary on April 16.

This directive ordered them to examine their personnel practices and to suggest steps that should be taken to achieve uniform equality of treatment and opportunity required by President Truman's executive order of July 26, 1948.

Of the various plans submitted by the three branches of the Armed Forces, Mr. Johnson approved only the Air Force proposal for complete integration of personnel, and requested the Army and Navy to submit additional clarifying information to him concerning their personnel practices by May 25.

Navy Plan Outlined
The Navy Department plan, approved by the Secretary of Defense embodies the following steps: 6 1 8 4 6 1 1. To promulgate a statement of the Navy Department's policy regarding minority races.

2. To augment efforts to obtain

garding minority races.

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colored petty officers to duty in ment of the Army and have noted the Navy Recruiting Service and with pleasure the significant proordering volunteer qualified coloress made by the Army in this ored reserve officers to active duty field in the last few years.

To assist in recruitment assist in recruitment

formal suggestions of the Fahy Committee which, I understand have been made available to you.
"I would be pleased to have
your reconsideration of this matter submitted to me by June 20."

Runaround

RUSSELL A. JACKSON

MBUS, Ohio (NNPA)—Jim Crow in the Ohio Reserves was bared this week. arter a two-year futile struggle by colored obtain permission to planes in the 882d stationed at Lockbourne Air Force Base.

most of them resue in ulations entitled: "Policy for Train got a continental run-ing Negro Air Reservists." It was en they sought training issued in reference to Circular 124 When they reported for The title of the circular is "Utilizative 882d they found: tion of Negro Manpower in the savailable to fly; no instruc Postwar Army Policy."

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Adviser James Evans

to assure equality of treatment and men.
opportunity for all its personnel, The first bus incident occurred

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matter was brought to the attention front.

The driver ordered them to move a few hours of flight train ing of air reserve training detach- adviser to Defense Secretary Louis to the rear or accept a refund of bleut Francis R. Thomp ments will be given priority over Johnson, who approved the Air their fares.

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MONTGOMERY, Ala.— (NNPA) In conformance with Air Force white airmen only.

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proper notification to col Following are some of the "stipu- are being subjected to Jim Crow on when four colored airmen in uni-In Washington last Friday the Field and took seats toward the

Colonel Benjamin O. Davis, Jr. they were on government property

detachment for the purpose of bus, Ohio, is scheduled to go to the were on a government reservation, Maxwell Air Force Base—are of the opportunity to maintaining proficiency and not to dir University at Maxwell Field next but said they were riding on the bus now seeking to sit in sections retwo-hour weekly traintwo-hour weekly tra

Twice last week colored airmen man occupied a front seat after each case the matter was set-Thus the colored re- ministrative unit to which have been forced to vacate seats re- boarding a bus at Maxwell Field, but tled orderly with no disturbance.

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White persons in the community All Maxwell Field personnel have been indoctrinated in the Air Force

men's Club and have been admitted. Both facilities formerly were for

By Soldiers At Maxwell; U.S.O. Changes Denied

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seats or take a refund of their fare. cepted refunds and got off the bus. have been required to vacate z On last Thursday a colored air- seats reserved for whites. In

served for white persons. As yet moved to the rear when ordered to Widespread reports that the Montgomery USO has been directed by its national office to g

> "We will continue the policy to ers to comply "fully with all city we have always observed in and state segregation laws."
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> Montgomery," she said. "We of the reminded them that a driver hope soon to help organize a USO who does not enforce the segregalocation separate from our white facilities.

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Truman's Order Negro airmen's experiments in occupying white bus a seats apparently are the result > of President Truman's order of persons in the armed forces.

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H. Bagley, said he has instructed his drivers to comply "fully with all city, and state argregation laws."

He reminded them that a driver who does not enforce the segregation laws subjects both himself and the bus company to a fine for violating both city and state law. Bagley also pointed out to his drivers that under city law each bus driver has police law each bus driver has police

power to enforce segregation.

Bagley noted yesterday that segregation laws have been enforced against white violators at least twice within recent months.

forced against white violators at least twice within recent months. One man was required to leave the bus when he refused to vacate a seat reserved for Negroes, and another white man was arrested and fined for the same offense.

President Truman's "equality" policy is based on Executive Order No. 9981, which states in part: "There shall be equality of treatment and opportunity for all persons in the armed forces without regard to race, color, religion or national origin. (This policy shall) be put into effect as rapidly as possible.

All Maxwell personnel have been indoctrinated in the meaning and effect of the policy. Negro airmen recently have, on one or two occasions, requested admittance to a swimming pool and to the Airmen's Club, and have been admitted. Both facilities formerly were reserved for whites.

new integration policy. Col Davis Heads Board

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carrying out the new Air Force enlisted personnel are assigned to licy of integrating personnel the Steward's branch. uoned at Columbus, Ohio.

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The Defender learned that possible assignment fighter Group Air Force Base, stationed at Columbus, Ohio, won

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policy approved last week by Developed and determining job man's Executive Order of last July Present Negro strength of the fense Secretary Louis Johnson, of some 1400 airmen and forbidding discrimination in the Air Force is 21,026, representing personnel of the base will be inin connection with the Air armed forces. At that time he in seven per cent of the total per-tegrated throughout the Air Force.

ing general of Indoctri- to be accepted by the Defense

dassification specialists had Johnson disclosed he had artheir findings to a re-rived at no decision on reports ion board, which was submitted by the Army and Navy by Col. Benjamin O. Davis which led to speculation that they 2nd Fighter Wing com- fall short of his expectations. The defense chief said he was "study" der.

cluded on the board with ing" statements they had made concerning their personnel policies and practices. He has directed both services to furnish him "additional clarifying information" by May 25.

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of Lockbourne Unit Com- to the situation that the Navy and an officer from smugly pointed to its "no-segregation" policy pronouncement in a brief report of less than two pages indicating that they considered this going beyond the President's no discrimination demands. However, it is said that Navy officials went into no detail as to how the policy was being carried out.

Unanswered Questions Neither did they clear up how the Navy policy pronouncement of complete racial integration has so far failed to produce more than seven Negro Navy officers, two of Defender Washington Bureau) whom are medical officers, nor ex-WASHINGTON-The first step plain why some 60 percent of naval

broughout the service will be to The Army reportedly pointed to hand the all-Negro 332nd Fight- their plan of "gradual integration" Wing at Lockbourne Air Base, under the which Negroes have been kept in racially segregated The 2,000 officers and men of companies and battalions with the 2,000 will be distributed some such units integrated at the roughout the service in non-seg-divisional and regimental levels. nted units in line with needs of The Army believed to have fallen

Lockbourne Air Force Base Johnson is not too impressed with Il remain active, although it steps taken by the Army and not been determined what Navy to comply with the Pesinot will replace the 332nd Fightnot will replace the 332nd Fight-

the base, will enter special crack down on these two branches training for future assignment, up with a more convincing report perhap to one of the "key" Air by May 23.

Other Negro personnel throughprogram into full effect by Dec. 31 out the Air Force will be screen-The policy was submitted to Sec-ed by their respective commands retary Johnson by Air Secretary and their capabilities re-evaluated

vited any new proposals for im-sonnel in that service. Of this Representing the 332nd were: proving the racial policies of the number, 316 are officers, five are Captain Alvin Temple of the 301st three services. Symington's pro-warrant officers, and the remainder Fighter Squadron; Lt. Harry Stew-Gen Charles W. Lawrence, posal so far has been the only one 20,705, are enlisted personnel.

Gunnery Meet

stationed at Columbus, Ohio, won The Defender learned that neces-first, place in the conventional

art of the 100th Fighter Squadron and Lt. James Harvey of the 99th Fighter Squadron. Captain Temple placed second in the fighter pilots' individual score with a mark of

F-80's and F-51's

Lt. Malbert Alexander, substitute member of the team did not compete

The Fourth Fighter Group from

Langley Air Force Base, Virginia. flying F-80's, won first place in the jet-class for fighter aircraft.

Placing second to the Lockbourne flyers was the 82nd Fighter Group from Grenier Air Force Base, New Hampshire flying F-51's with a score of 515.

Each pilot participating in the gunnery meet was required to compete in five different events. The events were: Air to air gunnery at 12,000 and 20,000 foot altitudes, rocket-firing, strafing, dive-bombing and skip-bombing. Three pilots represented each fighter group and an average of the pilots scores for all events represented the group's scores.

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No Arrest Planned

At the same time, Kallick as sured the 25-year-old draftee, a former Merchant Marine deck officer, that he would not be arrested or prosecuted for failing to report for induction until a final disposition was made in the case.

Tomlinson's petition for a preliminary injunction to restrain the operation of the Selective Service and solven ment by themselves but have a sull the solution constitutes a violation of the Selective Service Act, punish ecolality of treatment—the ment of the required age.

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Judge's Statement

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Maj. Gen. Leonard J. Gerow, comin the Army.

The Army is expanding the range of Negro utilization into

skills new for Negro troops heve been onverted from white to Negro Judge Ganey told Tomilson's at units. . . . Negroes have been torney's Franklin Williams and placed in every major Army Robert Carter of New York City school. . . . Race differential quali-and Thurgood Marshall of Wash fications and standards have been

ington, D.C., that he could not restrain the Draft Board members from reporting the draftee as a violator because they had already done so the beautiful to duck the real issues involved and that technical procedure would be maded and that technical procedure would manned battalions are grouped with white personnel with units of white personnel at regimental and battalion levels. In some of the Army's oldest and most famous regiments, Negromanned battalions are grouped with white-manned battalions."

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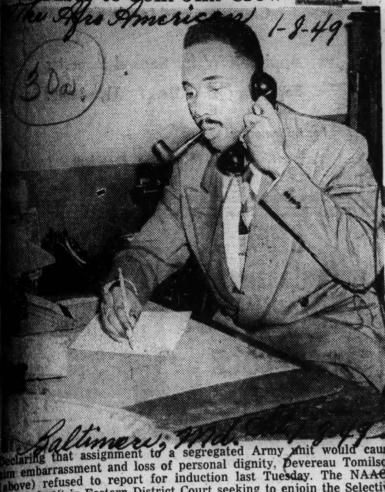
iminary injunction to restrain the operation of the Selective Service Act in his case was presented Dec. 27 to Judge George A. Josh. No action was taken at that time, but the youth, a member of the Campaign to Resist Military. Segregation, did not report for his scheduled induction on Dec. 28. Segregation, did not report for his acheduled induction on Dec. 28. Segregation is motion to dismiss the pertion of DeVreaux Tomlinson Mot in the suit were not the operation of the Selective Service officials. He was a Negro soldiers' recreational area of the Campaign to Resist Military. Anotion to dismiss the pertion by saying that the officials for the draft on Sept. 15, filing an proper persons against whom a resignating induction into "a gregated Army," was filed to the campaign in the suit were not the operation of the Selective Service officials to no Dec. 29. The Selective Service officials to no Dec. 29. The service officials to no Dec. 29. The compliment was registered Army," was filed to the suit were not involved in the suit of the draft on Sept. 15, and the period of the Selective Service officials to sept the compliment was registered Army," was filed the suit were not involved in the suit were not involved in the suit of the selective Service officials to not the suit of the suit were not involved in the suit of the suit were not involved in the suit of the suit were not involved in the suit of the suit were not involved in the suit of t

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> "Negroes have been placed in every major Army school. . . Regulations require the use of these Negroes in their schooltrained skills. . . Race differential qualifications and standards have been removed.

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Agitation for betterment of the Negro soldier's lot doubtless played some part, but this, alone, wouldn't be likely to impress the Army Chiefly, the new view probably derives from the showing made by Without bothering to put much Negro troops in World War II.



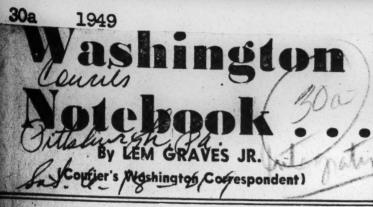
hursday morning in U.She argued, were not involved in strict Court by Assistanthe issue, and the Army officers strict Court by Assistanthe issue, and the Army officers S. Attorney Edward A. Kalcited are out of the court's jurisbefore Judge J. Cullen Maj. Dorsey H. Cullen, command ing officer of the Schuylkill Aron the motion issenal Induction Center, who could not be held responsible.

Navy now has five regular Negro officers. In addition to Nelson there are three Ensigns, all Naval ROTC grads and all on active duty,-Charles Teal, John Lee (on USS Kearsarge), and Carl Coggins of Cleveland, recently graduated from Purdue, now on USS Renville. There is also Lt. (J. G.) Edith De-Voe in Navy Nurse Corps.

All is not well in Marines, Lt. Rudder who recently became only Negro commissioned officer in Marine Corps, is according to our operatives, finding thing almost too tough. We say to him that the Marines are tough, but so is life and so is race. He's got to take it.

Air Force ROTC Grads at Tuskegee
These distinguished military graduates of the Air Reserve Officers' Training corps unit at Tuskegee Institute, have been nominated as second lieutenants in the U.S. Air Force by President Truman and approved by the Senate. From left to right, they are; Cadets Runs, L. Billips, Birmingham; Prentice E. Jones, Malvern, Ark.; James W. Wheat, Fort Worth, Tex., and 2nd Lt. Clarence W. Holloway, Rehoboth, Va. Each is to receive his comission in August of this year except Lt. Holloway who will receive his at Tuskegee's traduation exercise in May





of Gray, new Secretary of the Army, is that he is a Mr. Gray does not understand that the total elimination of all courageous man. In accepting Presidential appointment by which democratic equality can be achieved.

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The Southern liberal who breaks the ties back home and trans
Washington, at the conclusion of E that the Army, of all three services, has utterly failed to adjust Mr. Gray, if he is to be successful in solving the one major al Military Establishment.

hierarchy of Southerners who control the Army. He appointment knew that the "country club" atmosphere that prevails Without Regard to Race or Color among the Army brass will be hard to crack and that he a Southerner, will be resented even more than some other Secretary. Yet he also knew that, more than any other factor, the measure of his success in the office would hinge on solving this one problem.

Lem Graves Jr.

Navy and Air Force have a running fight over other Issues. With fewer Negroes to place and less time-honored tradition to overcome, they have both now come forward with formulas satisfactory to Secretary Johnson, although Navy had to have a second go at the proposition. Army is not deeply involved in the major defense establishment battles at the moment. It's great problem, then, is the integration business. Truman and Johnson have made it plain that the old Gillem Board formula is not acceptable and the Army, which has clung tenaciously to this outmoded principle, faces the tough job of drawchallenge.

very tolerant; that he will try hard to arrive at a just solution; Eight pilots are being sent to that he genuinely shares a deep concern over the South's failurethe Eighty-sixth Fighter Wing in to adjust to a democratic concept; that he avoids, in his thinking the European Theatre. Eight oth-many of the group stereotypes which confuse most Southerners are being assigned to the Fifth and that he has the capacity to proceed considerably in advance of Air Force the Far East Comreactionary Southern thought patterns as they relate to this problem mand.

But Mr. Gray, like most enlightened and liberal Southerners, Assignments for the first sixty-

has a fundamental limitation. He cannot see that segregation is six officers are as follows: basically unequal and that the fact of segregation imposes dangerous Capt. Elwood T. Driver, to Air superiority concepts upon the majority and demoralizing inferiority Force Headquarters, Pentagon, concepts upon the minority. He does not realize that American de- Washington.

mocracy cannot be equally divided into two parts-one part to be arbitrarily dispensed to a racial minority while the other part is preserved for a racial majority. He fails to realize that, to say nothing of the inherent philosophical impossibility of such equal Kessler Field, Miss. undamental Limitation of Army Secretary Gray division, it has been conclusively proven that the economy of the WASHINGTON-The least that can be said for Gor South cannot stand exact duplication of the physical facilities.

uring his tenure of office is that of racial integration inevitably draw a line beyond which the Southern liberal, who wishes ferred to duty at Air Force head-

pointment, Secretary of Defense fers his connections to the emancipated atmosphere of other sections the deactivation of the 332nd. Johnson bounced back the Army's is generally America's most militant friend of genuine integration. Col. Benjamin O. Davis Jr.,

Johnson bounced back the Army's He is happy to be relieved from the actual or imaginary pressures wing commander, will attend the progress report on integration for of the jim-crow community. But the Southern liberal who remains Air University, Maxwell Field, the second time and said plainly dom from these pressures—much of which are imagined.

Ala., where school for command of the the Army of all the conducted.

its racial policies to those of problem his administration faces, must overcome these limitations. President Truman and the Nation Because few Southerners can, this writer must have reservations al Military Establishment be a man who has a capacity for growth and who is young, vigorous Mr. Gray had presided over the and tolerant, it would not seem fair to condemn him before he has

preparation of that second report had a chance to work out a solution.

There are many sociologists who believe that this century's great libertarian—the one man who lead this Nation to true deticipated in the preparation of the mocracy—will come out of the South. He may be a product of the first unsatisfactory report as new ferment which pervades North Carolina where Governor Kerr Under-Secretary. When he took Scott has broken with past traditions and where Frank Graham the new post he knew that he survived the attacks of reactionaries to take his place on the floor of the United States Senate. It would make us happy to see Gordon had to fish for better answers among the recalcitrant Gray dispel the doubts and reservations with which we greet his

enments of the first sixty-six of Ficers to be processed through the screening board set up mand. to deactivate the all-Negro 332nd Fighter Wing at Colum- Capt. Alva Temple, Eightying up a new blueprint. This is Gordon Gray's major bus, Ohio, reveal a wide distribution of Negro pilot and sixth Fighter Group, Germany. ground officers throughout the Air Force.

In reassigning these officers, without regard to race or Is he equipped to meet this challenge? Recent conversations color, the Air Force placed them in fighter, bomber, train-Is he equipped to have convinced this reporter that he would very ing and transport commands, sent some to technical and sixth Fighter Group, Germany. outh Mr. Gray have challenge successfully; that he is personally specialty schools, and placed some in overhead installations.

Capt. Fitzrov Newsum, to Nine-3380th Technical Traning Group,

Capt. Marion R. Rodgers. Twenty-eighth Communications Squadron, Mitchell Field, N. Y.

quarters, Pentagon Building,

with the original Ninety-ninth Fighter Squadron, was recently promoted to the rank of captain at Lockbourne.

Capt. James T. Wiley, Headquarters, Air Material Command, Wright-Patterson Field, Ohio.

Technical Training Wing, Lowry Field, Colo. 18-46 Capt. Woodrow Crockett, Shep-

ters, Bolling Field, Washington,

Transport Service, Westover Field, Mass.

Capt. Claude Govan, Eightyixth Fighter Group, Germany. Capt. Vernon Haywood, 3450th Sixth Fighter Group, Germany.

rechnical Training Group, Fort Warren, Wyo. Capt. Jack D. Holsclaw, Sixty-

second Troop Carrier Wing, Mc-Chord Field, Wash.

Capt. Freddie E. Hutchins, reassigned as directed by Commanding General, Ninth Air

Capt. Walter I. Lawson, 3380th Technical Training Group, Kessler Field, Miss.

Capt. Frederick L. Parker Jr., Fifth Air Force, Far East Com-

Capt. Hugh J. White, Headquarters, Wright-Patterson Base,

Capt. Yancey Williams, Eighty-Capt. Carrol S. Woods, Headquarters, Air Material Area, Rob-

Col. Benjamin O. Davis Jr., + Lieut. Walter I. Lawson, pilot Capt. Lott S. Carter, 3415th pard Air Base, Texas. Capt. Walter Downs, Headquar-Capt. Lillian W. Duncan, Air

Scott Field. Ill. First Lieut. George Martin, leadquarters, Eighty-second Fighter Wing, Bergstrom Base,

First Lieut. William Martin Jr., Headquarters, Eighty-second Fighter Wing, Grenier Field, N. H.

First Lieut. John H. Porter, 8380th Technical Training Group Kessler Field, Miss.

First Lieut. Leroy Roberts, Fifth Air Force, Far East Command.

First Lieut. Mansfield L. Session. European Command.

McChord Field, Wash.

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First Lieut. Alfonso C. Toler, All the recruits at vast Lackland Field, Calif.

Brooks Field, Tex.

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Scott Field, Ill.

Chanute Field, Ill.

Second Lieut. Vernon W. Burke, There is no discrimination in Field, Mass.

er Wing, Otis Field, Mass.

Grenier Field, N. H.

Wing, Grenier Field, N. H.

Second Lieut. Harold Hoskins,

Air Base, Kan.

Mitchell Field, N. Y.

Second Lieut. John E. Woods, European Command.

He said these moves will con tinue !

White and Negro Recruits Are

Harmonious in Relations at

Texas Base, Says Head

B. B. K. THORNE

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES. SAN ANTONIO, Sept. 17-The First Lieut. Donald A. Shelton, first ten weeks of the integration 505th Aircraft Warning Group, of the white and Negro Air Force enlistees taking their initial train-First Lieut, Harry T. Stewart, ing, has been completed without 1130th Special Activities Group, discord, it was stated today by Bolling Field, Washington, D. C. Maj. Gen. Charles W. Lawrence, First Lieut. Floyd A. Thomp-commanding general of the indocon, 3380th Training Group, trination division of the Air Force

Air Force Bomb School, Mather Air Force base here, the largest installation in the whole Air Force, First Lieut. Alexander Wilive, eat and study as a body and Washington, Eighth Radio Squad, the grouping together of Negro and white personnel has not caused

First Lieut. Samuel W. Watts, any incidents.

Twenty-eighth C om munications "The integration of the base was Squadron, Mitchell Field, N. Y. accomplished with complete har-first Lieut. John L. White-mony," General Lawrence stated. head, 3525th Pilot Training Wing. "Orders went through to completely end segregation among the First Lieut. Eugene Williams trainees on a certain date and Eighty-sixth Fighter Group, Ger-when that date arrived the segregation was ended. No unpleasant Second Lieut. Joseph P. Blades, incidents resulted and the white 3310th Technical Training Group boys and the Negro boys in the training are getting along well to-Second Lieut. George M. Boyd, gether. And of course the same 3345th Technical Training Group applies to the WAFS [members of the Women's Air Force].'

Thirty-third Fighter Wing, Otis picking the leaders and Negroes often lead the mixed flights. The Second Lieut. Lawrence F. trainees are divided into flights of Campbell Jr., Thirty-third Fight sixty, who are commanded by other enlistees airmen, who have proved Second Lieut. Milford S. Craig, their leadership. There is keen Eighty-second Fighter Wing competition among the many flights and awards are made to Second Lleut. Ernest Craig-those who keep the neatest barwall Jr., Eighty-second Fighter racks and perform best at drilling,

26,000 Persons at Base

Twenty-seventh Fighter Wing, There are amost which cover based at Lackland, which cover based There are almost 26,000 person Second Lieut, Elbert H. McGee nine square miles, and most Jr., 311th Air Division, Topeka them are enlistees taking a thi teen-week basic training cours Second Lieut. Thomas D. Sims, The great air base which adjoin Fifty-second Fighter Wing, famed Kelly Field, is known as the to the Air Force, and al ruits from all over tes are sent here for tining.

Second Lieut, Thelbert B. Working, Twenty-seventh Wing, Bergstrom, Tex. Chief Warrant Officer Otis W. In Services Sough Weddington, 301st Bomb Wing, Smoky Hill Air Base, Kan. WASHINGTON, Oct. 6 (AP).— Warrant Officer, junior grade, President Truman said Thursday Charlie J. Thomas, Fourth Fight that his eventual goal it integra-er Wing, Langley Field, Va. tion or all Negroes in the armed

services with other personnel. He told a news conference that the recent order of the Department of Defense, siving Negro personne

RO Reporter Witnesses amp Pendleton Games

Army, Navy and Marines

Take Part in CAMID Exercise

By WOODY L. TAYLOR cleaned up of the enemy.

It is significant to note that the name was not available. 52 marines who were attached to the 4th Marine Landing Battalion. Also spotted were two Navy Landing Team No. 4, Second Deseamen attached to the Beachpot Company, were conducting master Shore Party with the Salwhat might well be their last opware Team. They were S/2c Charles Blackwell of Berkeley, eration as an all-colored unit. 52 marines who were attached to

The Depot Company is now in Calif., who has been in the serv-the process of being broken up ice since 1947, and S/1c Clifford and its personnel transferred to Sampson of Miami, who has been

and its personnel transferred to Sampson of Miami, who has been integrated outfits in compliance in the Navy since 1943.

with the National Military Estab The Beachmaster operation, it lishment's new policy of equality was learned, is brand new and has of opportunity for all personnel just been commissioned last July, regardless of race.

The CAMID exercise, named Among the West Pointers in for the participating cadets and the operations was William B midshipmen, is designed to in-Woodson of Washington, a Dun-doctrinate the future officers of bar High School Graduete, and a the Army, Navy, Marine Corps third year, the classman at and Air Force in the principles of amphibious warfare and teach The other West Pointers werethem the vital fundamentals of Douglas Wainer of Connecticut, inter-service co-operation.

Douglas Wainer of Connecticut, inter-service co-operation.
Roscoe Robinson, St. Louis, Norman Brown of Brooklyn and James R. Young of Brooklyn.

They were on the USS Randall and the USS Noble and hit the beachhead with an assault unit in the second wave of arrivals. It was their duty to take the first objective, secure it and move on to the next, etc.

Marines on Shore Patrol

The Marine outfit, which was used along with other Marine and Naval personnel to bolster the at-tack, came in two platoons, Shore and Dump. It was the duty of the Shore group to unload incoming cargo from landing craft and the Dump Platoon to ship it on to the forward units.

However, they were part of the assault group and had to dig in and fight for the beachhead the

CAMP PENDLETON, Va—Interration and unification of the Depot Company of Marines were five cadets from West Point and 55 marines from Camp Less Racial Operation

Camp PENDLETON, Va—InAmong those who were part of the Depot Company of Marines were Thomas Moss of Sardis, Ala.; James Lewis, Macon, Ga.; Henry McNair, Dillon, S.C.; Benjamin Ratcliff, Wadesboro, N.C.; Leroy Hawkins, Clarksville, Miss., and J. C. Palmer, Lagrange, Ga.

Spotted among the Naval personnel was one coxswain mate of the Navy who was pressed into service to handle the landing boats because of the extremely choppy waters and heavy surf that could not be entrusted to the inexperienced midshipmen. His landing boats because of the extremely choppy waters and heavy surf that could not be entrusted to the inexperienced midshipmen. His

Integration

OVIGOMERY, Ala.—Col. Leslie BRADLEY POLICY Mulzer, commanding officer at The army's racial policy is that laxwell Field, said Friday that the outlined by Chief of Staff Gen orns with President Truman's "The army is not out to make any social reforms. The army will

dance last Friday night at an air whole changes it."

The four Negroes admitted to the educated out. white club were permitted to dance sence" rating requirement is 70, a some 66 members of the 332nd by

Local Customs

WASHINGTON - (ANP) - The integration of Negroes into nonsegregated units, as outlined by the President's Fahy Committee on Equality of Treatment and Opportunity in the Armed Services, is meeting with stiff and determined opposition from the army. The deadlock in clearing segregation from the armed forces centers around the army's determination to conform to local opinion on racial matters.

The army is the only one of three services which has not yet proposed a "racial-equality program" acceptable to Louis Johnson, secretary of defense. The air force's program calling for full integration of Negroes throughout the service was cepted on May 14, and the navy's y June 7.

However, on both occasions, the

army's proposals were rejected as either inadequate or too general. After the second rejection, Johnson fixed a deadline of June 20 for a new set of proposals. This deadline was renewed to July 11 and finally pushed back to August 1.

dimission of Negroes to an Air-Omar N. Bradley during a speech nen's Club and swimming pool at Fort Knox, Ky., last August. He

The officer insisted that there had put men of different races in difmen no disturbances since four ferent companies. It will change Negroes were admitted to a white that policy when the nation as a TO

man's club. Before that Negroes The army supplements this arwere assigned a club of their own gument with contentions that the Several Negro soldiers were per-integration of Negroes in the ground nitted to swim last Saturday in a forces lowers efficiency and destroys of previously limited to white morale - the opposite of what it officers and enlisted men and their does in the air force. The army wives. In addition, Col. Mulzer said believes that the advantaged standferred to a white unit instead of Classification test minimum up to remaining with an All-Negro unit, a level which would keep the poorly

WASHINGTON, June 20.—(P)

The Air Force started to put into effect today its new policy to provide equality of treatment for Negroes in the service.

As a first step, it ordered the deactivation of the all-Negro 332nd Fighter Wing stationed at Lockbourne Air Force Base, Co lumbus, Ohio Jula 6-21-49 Sixty-six Negro officers have

been reassigned to new station All other Negro personnel are being etamined at other bases to determine their fitness for pos-

sible reassignment or entrance in technical training schools.

332nd Integrate Republic in its half-war with Russia. Its

Our basic quarrel with President Tru-

man has never been his advocacy of civil

the articles of war. 8 4. 5-14-49

But what is truly jolting is that Tru-

man should undertake social experi-

ments in the Air Force. It is the Air

Force which today is the shield of the

Promotions Come for Three Officers: Orders Go Out From Mitchell Field

WASHINGTON Members of the 332nd Fighter Wing at Lockbourne Air me Negro has asked to be trans- ards of Negroes are too low to Force Base, Ohio, recently ordered deactivated in compliance with the Air Forces approved integrated policy are in th process of being reassigned, the AFRO learned Wednesday

in the army.

Orders are being prepared for Example Of Our Meaning attempt to socialize with other wo- gainst the air force's minimum of the Carnell Air Command, Mitchto be sent out by Monday.

An Air Forces spokesman told rights, for that is a relatively minor mat the AFRO that the men are being reassigned to practically every Air ter in which he has simply followed Force installation in the United ritualistically the lead of Roosevelt, for States. This is in line with the Air Force integration plan ap-Johnson on May 11.

In the meantime, at least two of the Air Force officers of the Nothing illustrates our meaning better changed. Wing and one WAF are among than his order to obliterate segregation 1,598 officers promoted to the temporary grade of captain on

Those promoted were chosen by Selection Boards convened in the respective major Air Force commands and at USAF Headquarters, which reviewed the records ferent propositions. Negro voting and by pressing a button. of approximately 8,920 eligible segregation are quite different.

Those known to be among the neering officer, and Walter L 99th Fighter Squadron.

Lt. Oleta Crain, now assigned say, abolishing segregation in a govern-clubs on Air Force bases.

to the Air Force "Operations Hapment housing project. The people in a A competent president wouldn't have piness Show," currently playing housing project have freedom of move- ione it. mento, Calif., is the lone colored ment to avoid the comingling. A soldier WAF officer promoted out of nine. She has been stationed at has no such freedom of movement. He is rigidly bound by his enlistment and Lockbourne also.

morale and efficiency are paramount. It is the least eligible of all places for experiment. It is not our way to predict calamity

simply on the basis of apprehension. Perhaps no serious incidents will arise, but our prediction is that it will be seen that Truman has done a major disservice to the Negroes in the Air Force.

Truman has undertaken this reckless experiment against the blunt and unequivocal advice MGenery Esenhower and Chief of Staff Bradley.

Last summer Eisennower, among other things, made the point that a Negro's chances of promotion would be greatly diminished in white units. He fared much better in units of his own race.

A little later Bradley said that' the whom Alabama voted overwhelmingly army, in its segregation policy, followed proved by Secretary of Defense four times. Our basic quarrel with him public opinion and practice—that the in our belief that he is incompetent army would change when the nation

> But Truman has ignored this counsel and taken the aforesaid step, choosing Assaulting segregation in the civilian the army to appease the Civil Disturblife of the country and assaulting it in ance element because it is the one orthe army are almost fundamentally dif-ganization in which he can work his will

He is experimenting with matches in a Truman is bringing about the scatter- powder arsenal.

group getting promotions are ing of 21,026 Negro soldiers throughout He has ostracized the 21,026 Negro soldiers. Williams, aircraft engiwhite units of the Air Force. This, or so diers who are to be scattered among the Lawson, pilot with the original it seems to us, is quite different from, enlisted men's barracks and officers

On Government Grounds

llots lesting

MONTGOMERY, Ala.—Army Air Force members in a series of efforts last week attempted, without success, to break down the city and state transportation segregation laws, according to reports from Maxwell Air Base, located near here, President Truman's armed service equality order has been the basis of their tests.

Twice last week airmen are reported to have occupied seats reserved for white patrons on Mont-

gomery City Lines buses running out from the air base, but have either been asked to move or to accept a refund of fares and leave the vehicles. However serious in their attempts, their tests have

been made without disturbance.

USO officials at the base denied

ment property. Bus men have been reminding them also that the buses are the property of the utility company in spite of the fact that they run from a Government base.

On the other hand it has been reported that Negro airmen have Air Force" base. It will also The first colored airmen to be requested admittance to a swimserve to implement the USAF assigned were: Privates Albert directive on redistribution of col. Hopkins, John Robinson, Edmond ored personnel which was ap C. Evans, Ramon Thompson, proved on May 11 by Secretary of William McNair, James G. McMore "shall be equality of treatment and opportunity for all persons in the armed forces without regard to race, color, religion or national origin."

The move will mean the "phas emphasized that the assignments ing out" or eventual changeover will be made on the basis of existoning out." or eventual changeover will be made on the basis of existoning out." or eventual changeover will be made on the basis of existoning out." or eventual changeover will be made on the basis of existoning out." or eventual changeover will be made on the basis of existoning out." or eventual changeover will be made on the basis of existoning out." or eventual changeover will be made on the basis of existoning out." or eventual changeover will be made on the basis of existoning out." or eventual changeover will be made on the basis of existoning out." or eventual changeover will be made on the basis of existoning out." or eventual changeover will be made on the basis of existoning out." or eventual changeover will be made on the basis of existoning out." or eventual changeover will be made on the basis of existoning out." or eventual changeover will be made on the basis of existoning out." or eventual changeover will be made on the basis of existoning out." or eventual changeover will be made on the basis of existoning out." or eventual changeover will be made on the basis of existoning out." or eventual changeover will be made on the basis of existoning out.

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'Phasing Out' of Minority Squadrons

Involving 444 Troops that the airmen have forced any changes in policy affecting Negro SAN ANTONIE, Texas 2 Set-tingent, consisting of a newly reservicemen at the location. In both instances, it has been pointed out to the fliers, that in spite of the USO center policies on separation Lackland Air Base for months, presently enrolled at OCS and a President's order, bus travel and the Indoctrination Division, this total of 163 undergoing processing the races must follow local laws

of the races must follow local laws week commenced assignment of ing as re-enlistees.

Arguments of the protestants in both cases have been that according to the Presidential Order, there is to be no segregation on Government property. Bus men have been reminding them also that the buses are the property of the utility com-

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the other training units.

Squadrons immediately affected are the 3727th, with 414 trainees, 44 permanent party members or supervisory personnel, and one officer for a total strength of 459; and the 3728th with 403 trainees, 39 permanent party and two officers for a total of 444.

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Under Way Involving 444 Troops

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The move will mean the "phasing out" or eventual changeover of two colored basic training squadrons at the "Gateway to the Air Force" base. It will also serve to implement the USAF directive on redistribution of colored paragraphs which was a proposed to the colored paragraphs. ored personnel which was approved on May 11 by Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson.

As basic airmen are graduated from the two colored squadrons, their personnel will dwindle and the units will gradually become inactive, after which the squadrons will be refilled with recruits in exactly the same manner as the other training units.

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personnel. 6-18-49
The WAF's now have their largest colored training contingent, consisting of a newly received class of 32 trainees and five permanent party members.
There are six colored persons
presently enrolled at OCS and a
total of 163 undergoing processing as re-enlistees.

Some Assigned First basic training squadrons, aside from the WAF's, to receive colored recruits under the new system are the 3708th Square and the 3725th Squadron. It is emphasized that the assignments will be made on the best signments will be made on the basis of existing vacancies and operating loads

Progress at Bragg Based on Equality

'Takes Time to Change

Mores,' He Cautions

By WOODY L. TAYLOR

CAMP MACKALL, N.C. There is no discriminatory policy on the Military Reser vation nor in the field here a Camp Mackall."

Lt Gen. John R. Hodges, commanding general of Fort Bragg, and director of "Exercise Tarheel," made this statement last week to the AFRO and representatives from 16 Southern dail Newspaper here 14 - 19 General's Statement

unanimously t

The General said: "The 68 colored of the to join the Post O

"They are all free in any activities on an equal basis with sonnel."

Making Pro General Hodges what progress is be garding actual impla policy of "equality of and treatment" in Services as announce ecretary of Defens

2 000 Scholarships To Be Up In Naval Reserve Test Dec. 3

The annual competitive tests to select approximately 2,000 applicants for the Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps college program will be held in 550 cities in the United States and its territories on Dec. 3, 1949. Applications must be filed prior to Nov. 12, 1949. All male high space seniors and graduates between the ages of 17 and 21 are eligible to apply for the program which gives a full four-year, government-sponsored, col-

lege education at one of the 52 colleges and univerities throughout the country in which there are Naval Reserve Officer Training banks.

In addition to the age limits applicants must meet physical and mental standards and successfully pass an aptitude test. Application blanks and complete information concerning the program are available from high school principals, college deans, professors of naval science, offices of Naval officer procurement, and all Naval recruiting stations.

The total input is expected to approximate 2000, all of whom will be enrolled in the fall term of college, 1950. Candidates are permitted to indicate the colleges they wish to attend.

In this program, the Navy Department bears the expense of tuition, books, and the normal fees required by the college; and in addition, provides the student with a \$50 per month living allowance. The student may take any course that he desires leading to a bachelor or higher degree, but must include in his curriculum certain prescribed naval subjects.

In return, he is obliged to participate in naval drills and cruises, and if qualified upon graduation to accept a commission in the regular Navy or Marine Corps. After two years of active duty, he may elect to transfer to the appropriate Reserve Corps and return to civilian life or he may request retention in the regular service, and if selected, make the Navy or Marine Corps his career.

-(ANP)- It i hin the great Pearl al base that John e is in New Yor

val officer told and tative that at one time

few minutes in a rack in operation.

to commanders to iron out with his orders.

with his wife and childthe Pearl Harbor base.

Navy's Integration Plan Deserves Credit From All of Us; Ex-Officers in Particular

ing him to come on in.

An Inspiration

Get Higher Rank

Who Served During War Urged

to Go Back; Services Badly Needed volunteer to go back.

the Pacific fleet.

By JAMES L. HICKS

NEW YORK (NNPA) — The
has been here since the plan of the United States Navy
that been called upon to Department to assure equality many islands in the Pacificof treatment and opportunity for mighty Radio communi-serving of the support and co-operation of colored people in avail officer told ar avp general and especially that of r former colored officers of the

o on Guam and no engineer of Defense Johnson ordered the own there and within a matof one dressed in a white waiters' w minutes had the power- to him showing how they planned to integrate colored men in their ored officer sitting in the front is presently meeting with respective services in accordance office will indicate that the presently meeting with with his orders.

functions of the ship cut plan which was accepted by

One section of the Navy plan, will be the truth. One section of the Navy plan, submitted to the Secretary, states that the Navy will "augment efforts to obtain colored men to enlist in the Navy by assignment of colored petty officers to duty in the Navy Recruiting Service, ordering volunteer qualified colored. Reserve Officers to active duty stint in the recruiting program is to get the entire Navy used to having a group of colored officers around for once, who actually will be allowed to perform duties compared to the academy by Republic and the Naval Academy. Two others are currently attendance at the academy, having entered as fourth Classment of the Navy used to having a group of colored officers around for once, who actually will be allowed to perform duties compared to the academy by Republic to the academy by Republic to the service of the Naval Academy. Two others are currently attendance at the academy, having entered as fourth Classment of the Naval Academy. Two others are currently attendance at the academy, having entered as fourth Classment of the Naval Academy. Two others are currently attendance at the academy having entered as fourth Classment of the Naval Academy. Two others are currently attendance at the academy having entered as fourth Classment of the Naval Academy. Two others are currently attendance at the academy having entered as fourth Classment of the Naval Academy at the academy having entered as fourth Classment of the Naval Academy at the academy having entered as fourth Classment of the Naval Academy at the academy having entered as fourth Classment of the Naval Academy at the academy at the academy having entered as fourth Classment of the Naval Academy at the duty to assist in recruitment, and slanting advertisements posters, hold.

During the war the few col- Jr., of New York.

gram which should have a spearound. cial appeal to former Navy officers. Note that the plan says But

personnel.

This is important. Unless there is an emergency or some other unusual circumstance the Navy cannot order a former officer cannot order a former officer turned to civilian life.

Navy and are quained to walk institute, Troy, New York, for an additional year of engineering training.

Midshipman Brown won his class numerals in cross country track activities during all four years of back to active duty unless he is willing to come.

All Should Return

place, and a few are doing all Navy.

comparable to the rank which this Reserve group can now do.

You may be happy in civilian life now, lieutenant, but you owe it to the boys to go back a few Why? First because of the months and help them pick up psychological effect on a colored where you left off. And besides—man of a colored officer sitting it isn't really a bad life, is it? there in a recruiting station tell-

This may seem unimportant to some, but when one thinks that for the past plenty years the mental picture of a colored man in the Navy has always been that uniform, cooking and washing pots and pans in the steward's branch, it's easy to see that a col-

ANNAPOLIS, Md. - Midshipman office will indicate that some Wesley Anthony Brown, 1305 Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. will become the first Negro graduate of the United States Naval

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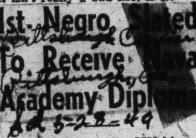
colored men to the Navy by the ored men on active duty with the He is one of eighteen members use of photographs showing white Navy were widely scattered, us of the 1949 graduating class selecand colored men working togeth- ually held ranks in the lower ted to become Civil Engineer Corps er in the Naval service." It is this part of the Navy pro-did not throw much weight officer of the Navy. Following his graduation, he will be assigned to duty at the Boston Naval Shipcers. Note that the plan says that "volunteer" Reserve officers will be called to active duty to assist in recruitment of colored personnel.

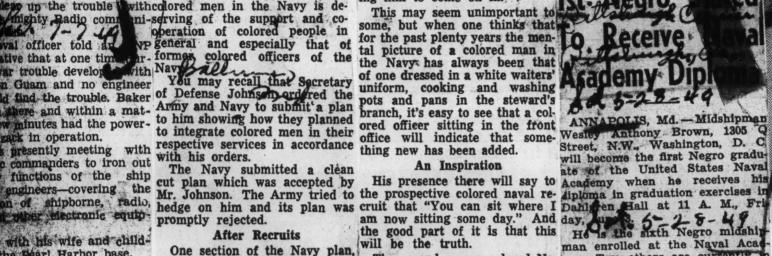
But since that time a few of yard for practical experience in the them have attained higher rank, Public Works Department and then learned what it's all about in the will attend Rennselaer Polytechnic personnel.

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be able to make their presence The two Negro midshipmen now felt both in numbers and per completing their first year at the Now there were not too many formance and will prove a valu- academy are Lawrence C. Chamcolored Naval officers on active able aid in getting colored rebers, of 630 S Street, N.W., Washduty during the war in the first cruits off on the right foot in the ington, D. C., and Reaves R. Taylor of 60 Carrington Avenue, Proviright in civilian life and may not want any part of a call back to active duty to aid in the recruitment of colored men.

But everyone of them should be respectively be should be respected by the should be resp









YOKOHAMA BOUND - First Lieut. Bernice E. Britton, vivacious young Army nurse and a native of Clover, Van embarked last week for Yokohama, Japan, where she will serve on active duty for the next eighteen months. Lieutenant Britton has seen six years service, in Army Nurses Corps out 1-1-4

inting of nurses for Fer East duty arrived in Yokohama recently aboard the USAT Aultmann. Left to right and the USAT Aultmann. Left to right and the Orange N.C.; Lt. Millicent Hooks, East Chicago, Ind.; Lt. Mary Harding, Greenville, N.C.; Lt. Della outon, Tex.; Lt. Mildred Tucker, Riverhead, N.Y.; Lt. Mattie Stone, Staten Island, N.Y.; Lt. Rose Lewis, St. Pet Outon, Tex.; Lt. Mildred Tucker, Riverhead, N.Y.; Lt. Mattie Stone, Staten Island, N.Y.; Lt. Rose Lewis, St. Pet

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Army in 1944 and has served at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; and Fort Dix, New Jersey. Before entering the service, she was a staff nurse with the Vetterland First Lieutenant Helen E, service in 1945 and also served at camp McCoy, Wisconsin, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; and Fort Dix, New Jersey. Before entering the service, she was a staff nurse with the Vetterland First Lieutenant Helen E, service in 1945 and also served at camp McCoy, Wisconsin, and fort and and First Lieutenant Grac-Dix, New Jersey before being as the first Lieutenant Grac-Dix, New Jersey before being as the first Lieutenant Grac-Dix, New Jersey before being as the Army Medical Prior to her artistic to the Prior to of the Army Nurse Corps repital.

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Fifth Infantry Regiment.

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ANTONO, Tor James in Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. A Smith Sr., New Orreceived his commission Force, Dec. 18, at gradte Class 48-B, Lackland ree Base here. Lieutenant tered the Air Force ontered the Air Force 1946, and served in the Theatre of Operations as administration specialist. The entering Officer Candidated the held the rank of the property of the pro

Army Chaplain Is Dounal Suide Cited For His Work nowfalk, Va. Sap. 4-9-49

Fort Riley, Kan. - Major General John T. Lewis, commanding general. The Ground General School Center, Fort Riley, Kansas, recently presented a letter of commendation from General Jacob L. Devers, chief, Army Field Forces, to Chaplain (Lieutenant Colonel) John A. Deveaux, of Jacksonville, Fla, for his work at the Ground General School norfall. Va. During World War 11, Chaplain

Deveaux served in the Advance Section Communication Zone of the European Theater and later accompanied Bishop John A. Gregg on a goodwill tour of the battlefronts in the Pacific, European and China-Burma-India Theaters of Operation.

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Capt. Morgan, a member of the 505th Airborne Infantry Regiment, and Airborne Division, Fort of the Second Battalion wisions of the Officer Personne of the 1947. The promotions will become effective on Jan 1 1946. Ormes, Salem, Ohio.

Maj. Johnson, a graduate of Wilberforce University served with
the 366th Infantry Regiment at
Hort Devens, Mass., Camp Atterbury, Ind., and in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations during
the war. Maj. Johnson also served
as a regimental supply officer and
was awarded battle participation
stars for the Rome-Arno and North
Apennines campaigns. He was integrated into the regular army in
1946 and is at present serving as
professor of military science and
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awarded the bronze star medal being brutal. 6-15-45 for gallantry in action during the A probe was ordered into charges

become effective on Jan. 1, 1949 decorated members of the 92nd Infantry Division during the war. Chicago officers selected for While serving with the division in Italy. comotion were: Major Edward C. Italy, he was awarded the silver, Johnson, Chicago, Ill.; Captain Roy. W. Sorrell, Washington, D. C. star. bronze star medal with two cast leaf clusters and the purple heart with three cast leaf clusters. Drmes, Salem, Ohio. Maj. Johnson, a graduate of Wil- army in July, 1946. Capt. Morgan

(Special to The Courier)

WASHINGTON-Officials of the Department of Army maintained silence early this week on reports that the highest ranking Negro Army officer in command of troops in Germany had been officially reprimanded after an investigation of brytality charges by the Inspector General's office The officer is Lieut Col Hyman Y. Chase of Washington.

Twenty-fourth Transportation Truck Battalion at Frankfurt-am-Main in Germany and has directed the unit in providing the trucking transportation for all the food and supplies flown on the Berlin Airlift. It was alleged that Colonel Chase has been excessively harsh in his treatment of officers and men under his command. DENIES MISTREATMENT

Operating his unit under th EUCOM, or European Command Colonel Chase said he had required his officers and men to work "and boro, N. C. A. I - 4 work hard, but said its had not mistreated them. From certain officers and men, however, there ficer, also was a member of the were conflicting reports which 866th Infantry Regiment and was criticized the colonel's treatment as

North Apennines campaign. In July, made to the office of the Inspector 1946, he was assigned to the 25th General and reliable sources stated Infantry Regiment at Fort Benn- that Colonel Chase had been given colored officers were among approximately 400 regular and reserve Army officers who were recently promoted to the temporary grade of major sat. 4-30-49

The names, hometowns and assignments of the newly-promoted officers are: Major Benjamin W. Johnson, Burlington, N. J. assistant professor of military science and tactics. Southern University and A. and M. College, Baton Rouge, La.: Major Elmer R. Hatton, Boston, Wass., 9th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division, Fort Lewis, Wash., Major Lucius Young, Washington, D. C., assistant professor of military science and tactics, Howard University, Washington, D. C.: Chaplain (Major) Andrew L. Johnson, Cincinnati, Ohio, Far East Command, and Major Claude C. Clarke. Chicago, assistant professor of military science and tactics, West Virginia State College, Institute, W. Va. Journel & Anile

The promotion of the above named officers to the temporary rank of major raises to 50 the number of Negro field grade officers now serving with the United States Army Norfee ?

onel Robinson Appointed

SHINGTON, D. C. LieutenMedical Medical Medic been assigned as an assistant fames C. Evans, Civilian Aide Secretary of the Army and to the Secretary of Defense. SPECIAL STAFF.

A & M College, he has re- Ray, Advisor on Negro Affairs in the

SPECIAL STAFF.

Major David A. Lane, Jr., a member of the Troop Information and Education Division in The Pentagon, the rank of major and protect to the permanent grade of the permanent grade of the permanent grade of the colonel last year. This is the colonel last year of the Special Staff United States Army, and is assigned for duty with the General Staff Corps. Officers detailed for duty with the General Staff Corps. Officers detailed for duty with the General Staff Corps are awarded to the Special Sta

Officers

serving 12 months in such an as to Lockbourne, as a member of the 332nd Fighter Group, in April, 1946.

In his assignment with the Office of the Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army, Colonel Robinson is the crack 99th pilots who won the commendation for their direction. primarily concerned with military high commendation for their divematters which are handled by that bombing tactics during the height taining to the Army, the Office of of the Italian campaign when the

ang Had 50 Combat Missions to His Credi

Military Riter Held at Lockbourne Air Base

COLUMBUS, Ohio - A 31ld Lockbourne Air Base veteran of the Italian lign, was killed Thursnight when his fighter crashed on a farm near victim, Lt. Allan G. Lane, Cherry St., Demopolis, Ala., a routine night flight the motor of his F-47 plane that 1 000 feet He valies. at 1,000 feet. He radioed the field tower:

"I am southeast of the field at 1,000 feet and my motor has cut

chapel on Monday, with Chaplain Alfred MacWilliams officiating. The final rites will be followed by burial at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia, later this week.

Lientenant Lane was one of the

taining to the Army, the Office of the Civilian Aide serves all branches of the Armed Forces through the secretary of Defense.

During the war, Colonel Robinson served with the 366th Infantry Regiment in Ralv and was awarded the Bronze Star Medà. Purple Heart and Combat Infantryman Badge.

of the Italian campaign when the squadron flew air cover for the allied assault on Anzio and Nettune beaches, paving the way for the American Liberation of Rome.

Then flying P40 Warhawks, the 99th pilots knocked twelve German planes out of the sky in a hot battle which lasted six days during February, 1944. Lieutenant Lane was forced to bail out dur-Lane was forced to bail out dur-ing one of the sorties this plane cadglif life after an attack and the pilot parachuted 5,000 feet to safety, landing amid an Allied trucking out fit.

Believe Engine Failed

In the death crash Thursday night, it is believed the plane's engine failed, although Lockbourne officials had been unable to determine the exact cause of the crash at noon Monday. Lt. Francis Collier, public relations officer at the base, said the wreckage of the plane was such that the cause of the accident had been undetermined.

Lieutenant Lane is survived by Promoted-

Academy this June is Charles selected last week for promotion at Louis, (M. Smith school, St. Louis, Mo., and later Washington; Capt. Leonard St. Louis, Mo., and later Washington; Capt. Leonard St. Louis, Mo., and Cornell university, where he at tended USMA Prep. school, Wilberforce University, was ordered to active duty in March.



his wife, Rose; a 4-year-old daugh-ter, Sherrill, and his parents, Mr. Martin Jr., chief of the Ne-and Mrs. Allan A. Lane.

gro interest Section of the Army spublic information division, was promoted to his captaincy last week. A former officer of the 366th Infantry Regiment, Captain Martin is nearing the Martin is nearing the end of unity at tour of duty in Washing-unity and is preparing to leave a state the country for a three the country for a three-year s

tour of duty in Japan.

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Regular Army Commissions egroes As Lieutenants

Department of the Army has announced the appointment of 23 Negroes as second lieutenants in the Regular Army. Eighteen were appointed through the Distinguished Military Graduate program and five occived their commissions following one-year tours of closely observed competitive duty.

The appointment of these officers raises to 82 the number of Negro officers in the Regular Army. The following officers were appointed

Ross P. Barrett, Cambridge, Ohio, Infantry; Albert L. Barringer, Birmingham, Ala.; Jew D. Boney, Rockdale, Tex.; William P. Bullard, Martins Ferry, Ohio: Samuel F. Samuel tins Ferry, Ohio; Samuel F. Sampson, Houston, Tex.; George M. Shuffer, Jr., San Pablo, Calif.

With the exception of Lieutenant Boney, the above named officers were commissioned in the Regular Army through the one-Jear competitive tour program, Lieutenant Boney was nominated as a distinguished military grad-

Army on June 15, 1949:

James A. Bailey, Columbus, Ohio; Spencer M. Bracey, Camden, S. C.; Orlando V. Brown, Tridelphia, W. Va.; Preston A. Davis, Norfolk, Va.; Paul J. Dickerson, Charlottesville, Va.; Oscar J. Harrison, Norfolk, Va.; William J. Nelson, Columbia, S. C.; George E. Peters, Jr., Wheeling, W. Va.; William B. Proctor, El Reno, Okla.; Charles E. Scott, Lawnside, N. J.; William R. Smithea, Jr., Richmond, William R. Smithea, Jr., Richmond, Va.; Rufus C. Streater, Hartsville, S. C.; Robert L. Turman, Gadsden, Ala.; Albert L. Walker, Crockett, Tex.; Lonnie W. Williams, Gurdon, Ark.





as a distinguished military graduate from Prairie View A and M Chaplain (Lt.-Col.) Elmer P. Gib-College, Prairie View, Texas, in son of Greenboro, N.C., who re-June, 1948, and was ordered to ceived the doctor of divinity deactive duty as a member of the Officers Reserve Corps until he became 21 years of age.

The following distinguished military graduates will become 25th Infantry Regiment at Fort military graduates will become Dix, N.J. President Harry V. second lieutenants in the Regular Army on June 15, 1949:

Salary Claim Against

Government Upheld WASHINGTON

Lawrence Oxley, retired Army lieutenant who is employed as vet-erans advisor in the United States Employment Service, was awarded a salary claim against the Federal Government, it was announced this week.

Oxley filed a claim for \$1473.18 against the United States for salary while he was removed from the U.S. payroll from June 30 through Sept. 22, 1947.

It was pointed out in Oxley's

pention he was removed from the payroll in violation of Civil Service regulations governing veterans longevity and seniority.

Awarded Full Amount He was subsequently reinstated by order of the Civil Service Board on Sept. 22, 1947.

Oxley's claim, filed through Frank Reeves, attorney, was for the salary that he did not receive during the period that he was removed from the Federal payroll.

Chief Judge Marvin Jones of the United States Court of Claims awarded Oxley's full claim for \$1473.18.

ng Up on a Wide Variety of Subjects

trary to first reports, Edward R. Dudley of New York, is not a first colored ambass for. Confirmed by the Senate last Dudy is now officially the U.S. ambassador to Liberia, it is n. B. O. Davis S. who holds the distinction of being the way maked ambassador extraordinary and repempotentiary to Liberia in June, 1947

he journeyed to Liberia to represent the U.S. Liberia Centenary . Hage E. Rigers, Tam-nal leader, was presented a plaque by Harnocrats for his "outstanding efforts on equal " The presentation was made by Assembly-Hulan Jack . . . An international incident was d at Ciudad Trujillo, capital of the Dominican lie when three white American sailors thought is okay to molest Dominican girls. Native e had to hold off angry crowds while the terrisailors were rushed back to their ship. Just ne evil fruit of America's 'white supremacy'



Gen. Davis

Reassign Negro Airmen gir Islands, At was scheduled as a one-week flight from the Lock-bourne Air base in Columbus, Odgnment of Col./B. O. Davis, Jr., ranking Capt. Joel T. Adams. assistant egro Air Force officer, to the 22 Aug. to the state directory of selective class at the Air War College, it was dis- service, is acting as official host

class at the Air war College, it was disclosed late this week.

Air Force officials, in response to a query maintained but the list of sthemas for the August class flot firm as yet, but it is known that Colonel Davis' name is among those being reviewed.

The possibility was made known follow-

war college was made known follow-ing testimony of Air Force officials before the resident Committee of fiquality and Treatment in the

Armed Forces. As had been predicted in recent issues the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL, the ommission heard plans to abolish segretion in the Air Force and to reassign Negro airmen on an Air Force-wide basis. This would mean the deactivation of the Il-Negro 332d Fighter Wing, based at Loekbourne AFB, Ohio, and commanded by Colonel Davis, son of a retired Army origadier general, and a 1936 graduate from the U. S. Military Academy. Reportedly, Air Force officials are anxious to inaugurate the plan as soon as possible, because budgetary limitations require deactivation of the 332d Fighter Wing. Originally it had ben thought to implement the non-segregation plan by 31 Dec., but it is understood that plans now

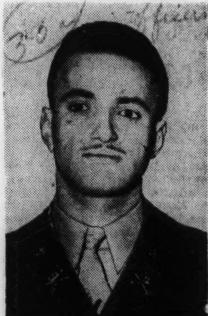
have been greatly accelerated. Islanders hursday when hews spread that il. Benjamin O. Davis Jr., had rrived with a detachment of air-Many who had read im and his father re-General pavis varied highest ranking air force colonel with one airplane d 11 men, five officers and six

men, was on a naviga-flight which took in parts Rice and Wir-

gip stands. It was scheduled as a one-week flight from the Lock-

to the colonel and his contingent.

Lt. Rivers Stationed At Fort Riley, Kan.



First Lieutenant Mark E. Aaron L. Johnson william B. Kieffer John R. Kilgore Richard P. Klocko Academy, Class of 1945, a now serving with the 71st Atillery Battanon at Fort Riley, kan. Before receiving his present assignment, Lt. Rivers served with the 159th Field Artillery Battalion, 25th Infantry Division at Nara, Japan. (U. S. Army photo)

Air War College Selections

The Air Force this week released the names of 96 officers four of them lieutenant colonels, assigned to the Air War College for the class beginning in August.

Included among those chosen for the high Air Force School at Maxwell AFB, Ala., is Col. B. O. Davis, jr., commanding officer of the all-Negro 332d Fighter Wing, based at Lockbourne AFB, Ohio Colonel Davis' assignment to the Air War College was predicted in the 2 April issue of the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNALL

The four lieutenant colonels chosen for the class are Fross Ellis, Orville E. Mohler, Wilfred J. Smith and Howard E.

Webster

Three Reserve colonels also vere selected.

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Regular Air Force colonels, in addition to Colonel Davis, who will attend the Air

War College class are:

Milton B. Adams Harold E. Kofahl
Paul C. Ashworth Orville Laird Owen G. Atkinson Wallace C. Barrett William Bell Herbert A. Bott Robert A. Breitweiser Roy R. Brischetto John A. Brooks, III Harry N. J. Burk-

halter Murray A. Bywater John H. Carter Edwin S. Chickering Alan D. Clark William K. Clingerman Herbert N. Cowles William J. Cummings,

George B. Dany Benjamin O. Davis, Leighton I. Davis Jack N. Donohew Walter Eckman Richard E. Ellsworth Arthur A. Fickel Wallace S. Ford Robert D. Gapen Samuel J. Gormly, jr. Frederic C. Gray, Jr. Marshall R. Gray Perry B. Griffith James W. Gurr Linscott A. Hall Howard Halsey Victor R. Haugen Oliver G. Haywood,

Alvin E. Hebert Leo H. Heintz Conrad J. Herlick Daniel E. Hooks

Curtis R. Low Morton D. Magoffin Elnar A. Malmstrom William K. Martin Charles M. McCorkle James C. McGehee Norman J. McGowan William W. Momyer Francis H. Monahan Lawson S. Moseley,

fr. Kenneth W. Mosher Conrad F. Necrason Hilmer C. Nelson William R. Nevitt Roscoe T. Nichols, jr. George G. Norman Berthold E. Nowotny Lawrence B. Ocamb James Y. Parker Calvin E. Peeler Karl L. Polifka Robert J. Pugh Leslie Raybold Turner C. Rogers William L. Rogers Barton M. Russell Edwin A. Russell, jr. Jack E. Shuck Curtis D. Sluman Richard H. Smith Robert L. Snider Loring F. Stetson, jr. Vernon L. Stintzi James L. Tarr Robert Taylor, III Frederick R. Terrell Aaron W. Tyer Ernest F. Wackwitz, jr.

Robert H. Warren Ralph L. Wassell John W. White Douglas F. Williams William G. Workman Stanley T. Wray

YOKOHOMA, Japan — Sept. 7, 1949 . . Miss Mary Estelle Trent, daughter of W. J. Trent of 630 W. Monroe St., Salisbury, N.C., recently arrived in Japan aboard the USAT M. M. Patrick to serve with the Eighth Army Special Service.

As Recreational Prector at the Service Club at Showa Air Forces Base, it will be the responsibility of Miss Trent to plan and execute a well-rounded recreation program for servicemen assigned to the base.

During 1947 and 48, Miss Trent had a tour of duty in the Far East Command. For several months she served with the American Red Cross as a club Worker on Guam, and transferred to Japan when the service clubs were taken over by the Army in the Fall of 1947. She was assigned to the Army Service Club at Camp Gifu until she returned to the States in the Fall of 1948.

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in the Women's Army Cedure.

Graduates from Iowa are: Eliza
Cook, 415 Beech Street,

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nue, New York City. aptain Hughes, the present coming officer of Company "B", buttalion, WAC Training Cenat Camp Lee, Virginia, will be orn into the Regular Army with rank of major and will become

second Negro field officer in of the Women's Army Corps
Women's Army Corps. Major
Training Center, here, were graduated from the leadership course,
recent the leadership course, post inspector at the Kit- The six-week course is given to

Graduation exercises for the first gro women to complete se ic phase of degular Army trainwere held Feb. 2 at the Wo-Army Corps Training Center

ddress was delivered by Lieutenant Colonel Elizabeth C. Smith, Commanding Officer of the Training Cener. Distinguished guests who were invited to attend included: Brigadier General R. C. L. Graham, commandng General of Camp Lee; Dr. Luther H. Foster, president of Virginia State college, and Dr. Granville Norris of Petersburg, Virginia.

A parade followed the graduation

The trainees of this company, seeted the first Negro trainees to

enter the Regular Army, began their basic training on November 29, 1948. Since basic training is fundamentally an introduction to Army life, the second recruits first week is taken up with of women selected for com-interviews, tests, fittings for uniroutine of living. The recruits underby the Department of the Army go an eight-week period of strict week. The 93 women, includ-military training which is compartwo Negro officers, were reable to that given male recruits, ly approved by the President except that weapons training is elim-The Negro officres, who become inated and more emphasis is placed first to receive Regular Arms on administrative and supply pro-

beth M. Cook, 415 Beech Street, Waterloo, Shirley J. Manuel, 1212 is, Ohio, and First Lieutenant McCormick Street, Des Moines.

Training Center in Germany, selected personnel to develop their leadership potential by instruction and performance in the duties of non-commissioned officers. During this period, four weeks are spent in classrooms and two weeks are devoted to on-the job training as assistants to noncommissioned officers in the training companies.

The graduates were:

Privates Delores V. Brown, Bedford Hills, N. Y.; Elizabeth A. Crosby, Cleveland, Ohio; Martha D. Harper, Flint, Mich.; Connie M. Richards, Atlanta, Ga.; Dell Shirley, Atlanta, Ga.; Juanita Thomas,

South Bend, Ind.; Privates Lilly M. Williams, New Camp Lee, Virginia. These wonen represent 23 states and the
District of Columbia.

Graduation exercises were held at
the WAC Theater. The principal
These woOrleans, La.; Elizabeth L. Woods,
St. Louis, Mo.; Emma L. Cash,
Pottsville, Pa.; Kathleen Payne,
Miami, Fla.; Mary Teague, Trenton, N. J.; Janet C. Tyler, Philadelphia.



LIEUTENANT HELEN P. HUGHES, of North Chicago, was among the 37 women who corned the first group of regular Army WAC's to attend Officers' Conducte school at Carlo Lee, Va., and to be commissioned second neutenants in the Organized Reserve Corps. Lt. Hughes entered the WAC in October of 1944.



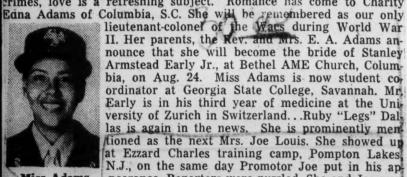
MAJOR BERNICE C. HUGHES, daughter of Mrs. Mamie L. Gaines, 20 Market st., Xenia, Ohio, received her major's leave from Lt. Col. Elizabeth C. Smith, commanding officer of the Women's Army Corps Training Center, Camp Lee, Virginia. Recently approved by the President for a commission in the WAC Regular Army, she was promoted from captain to major at the time of her integration. She is commanding officer of Company "B," first battalion of the Training

Center.—Official photograph. National Military Establishment.

By CLIFF MACKAY, AFRO Managing Editor

8-13-49 ing Up on Heartbeats and Heartbusts

Annd reports of mob and mob violence, batred and heinous crimes, love is a refreshing subject. Romance has come to Charity



pearance. Reporters were puzzled. She and Joe were too eareful not to be seen together. Watchful news photographers gnashed their teeth in disappointment...Word comes that Walter White and his new bride, the former Poppy Cannon were seen together in Rome, Italy. Walter is now on a world tour with Town Meeting of the Air. The guessers are still busy. One crowd says the Whites were married in the Virgin Islands, the other insists it was Haiti. The only fact is that they are married.

While some fall in love, others fall out. Cleveland's heavy-

weight fighter, Jimmy Bivins is squared off against his wife, Dolly. It's the 5th time she's made a bid for marital freedom. She wants a share of Bivins's \$50,000 a year income, one of his three automo-

biles and one of his two houses. Bivins, through his lawyer, says no. He counter punches with the charge that he is not the father of Dolly's 7-year-old daughter. It looms as a really legal slugfest. . Dr. Freddie Vaughan, Washington dentist, wants his marriage to the former Hazel Sherrod annulled. He claims he was tricked. His charge is that Howard U. refused him a degree unless he married Hazel. Miss Sherrod, he says, was pregnant and had told Dean Russell Dixon that he was the father. Dean Dixon put on the pressure. He married her to graduate, but still insists her unborn child is not his. He further asks for a blood test to prove his contention . . . The battling Blakes of Baltimore were back in court. This time he lost. Dr. James R. Blake was ordered to pay his wife, Margaret, \$540 a month alimony. He was further restrained from molesting her.

Proof that the men of the 92nd Division were not the first colored Americans to fight for Italy's freedom came this week. One Andrea

Aguyar accompanied Garibaldi there in 1848 and was killed in defense of the Rome republic. A 100 years late, grateful Italians are erecting a bust in Andrea's honor in Gianicolo. . . . The Rev. W. H. Borders of Atlanta was principal speaker at Windsor, Ontario, Canada, during the 117th anniversary of Emancipation Day. Canadian slaves won their freedom in 1832 without bloodshed. Many died in a bitter civil war before the shackles were broken in the United States in 1863. . . Sheriff J. W. Lynch and three of his deputies were under Federal indictment at Rome. Ga. They with eight other white men are charged with flogging seven colored men. It seems that the victims owned valuable property A. Aguyar along an important highway which they refused to sell. How much do you bet that they'll be convicted?





RECEPTION-Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Earley Jr., nee Charity dams, who were married recently in the bride's home in Columbia, S. C., ended their honeymoon in the groom's homeown of Dayton. Pictured at the lovely reception given for the newlyweds are Mrs. Lane, aunt of the groom from Pittsley, sister of the groom; Norma Pruett, Lilian McFall and Le-

Former Wac Colonel, Charity Adams Weds; Newlyweds Honored'in Daytor

of Savannah, Ga.

COLUMBIA, S. C.—In a solemn but beautiful ceremony performed. The maids all wore white dresses which drew socialites from nearby at Bethel AME Church, Columbia, Miss Charity Edna Adams, daughter of the same design with yellow of the Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Adams, was married to Stanley Armstead headdresses and bouquets. of the Rev. and Mrs. and Mrs. Stanley A. Earley Sr., of Dayton, Best man was the groom's broth-Chio. The nuptials were read by the bride's father, while John Hurst er, Charles E. Earley.

chantilly lace with a train. The gandy with a three-tiered skirt. Drew of Savannah, Ga.

SISTER IS MAID OF HONOR

Ohio. The nuptials were lead by the States factor, while John Hurst er, Charles E. Earley.

Adams, brother of the bride, gave her in marriage.

Ushers were Dr. Robert W.

The bride chose for her imporMiss Lucy Rose Adams, the Mance, the Rev. Fred James and bride's sister, was maid of honor John H. Whiteman, all of Columtant date, a gown of imported bride's sister, was maid of honor John H. Whiteman, all of Columtant date, a gown of white or his S. C. tant date, a gown of white or- bia, S. C., and Dr. Stephen M. Mc- HOSTESSES

of marquisette trimmed with seed of green and yellow flowers. The at the Adamses home. In the repearls. She carried a white Bible bridesmaids were Miss Virginia celving line were the mothers of Earley of Dayton; Miss A. Noel the bride and group. Market of Campbell of The Campbell of Th and long sleeves, with a train. The headdress and bouquet were A reception followed the wedding cluded Elizabeth Morton, Esta Loreese E. Davis of Huntington, Sr. in pale blue crepe.

Among the hostesses were Mrs. Robert W. Mance, Mrs. George Williams, Miss Nerissa Mance, Mrs. David Adams and Mrs. Edwin Rus-

sell.
DAYTON, Ohio-Mr. and Mrs Stanley Earley Jr., who were mar Med recently in a charming cere mony performed in Columbia, S. C., at the home of the bride, the erst-while Charity Edna Adams, by her father, the Rev. E. A. Adams, were entertained at the sumptuous reception in Dayton, at the home of the groom.

The groom's parents, Mr. and W. Va., and Mrs. Mary B. McDrew Mrs. Stanley Early Sr., honored the

> In the receiving line were the newlyweds, the Senior Earleys, Virginia Earley, Mrs. Lane, the groom's aunt, from Pittsburgh; Naomi Pruett, Lillian McFall and Letitia Rose.

Charming senior hostesses in-Nelson, Laura DeMarcy, Stella Williams, Romania Carter, Mary Rogers, Emma Hill, Elsie Patter-son and Viola Gilmore.

Lovely gowned junior hostesses were Maceola Taylor, Phyllis Greer, Annette Orr, Lillian Miller, Marcia Bethel, Springfield; Maybelle Hill, Columbus; Kay Mealy, Camille Anderson, Letitia Rose, Jean Jones, Dorothy Stewart, Adele Jones, Ella Bell and Catherine Biggs.

The bride is the former Colonel Charity Adams of the Wac, who recently resigned as Dean of Women at Georgia State College. She will return to Zurich, Switzerland, with her husband, who is studying medicine there. They leave for Europe at the end of the month.

contempt for President Trun's forth-right stand on equaliof opportunity, regardless of , the Department of the Army fused to name a single Negro nong the 200 officers selected for he Regular Womens' Army Corp, though several Negro wartime VAC officers of the highest cali-Negro WAC in the service. A list of 120 Regular Women's me meously included the name in region officer, 1sf Lt. Verding Hicks abottom. This class dislegro women my McLeod Bethune, president the National Council of Negro Vomen, and member of the warme WAC Advisory Council. Mrs. ethune took the matter straight the White House and is said have gotten assurance from residential Advisor John Steelan that the matter would be ingated immediately.

from Feb., 1945, to March. 1946, cedure.

with the 6888th Central Postal Dictory in France during the war.

She returned to the United States in 1946 and was separated from the service. She re-enlisted as a technical sergeant and served at Fort' Warren, Wyo. from October, 1946 to March, 1948.

She has been assigned duties as a platoon leader in Company "B", and Captain Scott will serve company executive officer. The unit is commanded by Captain Showing bra- Bernice Hughes. of Xenia, Ohio

Graduation exercises for the first r and equal longevity of service 2 Negro women to complete the e known to have applied, in- hasic phase of Regular Army trainuding Major Harriet West, rank-ing, were held Feb. 2 at the Wo-A list of 120 Regular Women's men's army Corps Training of the lar Force officers released simular Camp Lee, Virginia. These women represent 23 states and the District of Columbia.

> Graduation exercises were held a diate protest from Mrs. the WAC Theater. The principa address was delivered by Lieutenan Colonel Elizabeth C. Smith, Commanding Officer of the Training Center. Distinguished guests who were invited to attend included: Brigadier General R. C. L. Graham, commanding General of Camp Lee; Dr. Luther H. Foster, president of Virginia State college, and Dr. Granville Norris of Petersburg, Virginia.

> > A parade followed the graduation ceremonies.

The trainees of this company, selected the first Negro trainees to enter the Regular Army, began their basic training on November 29, 1948. Since basic training is fundamentally an introduction to Army life, the CAMP LEE, Va. - Captain recruits first week is taken up with Blanche L. Scott, of Washington, recruits first week is taken up with D. C., and First Lieutenant Cath-interviews, tests, fittings for unierine C. Landry, of Los Angeles forms, and adjustments to a new Calif. were recently assigned to routine of living. The recruits underray Corps Battalion, go an eight-week period of strict military training which is compar-Training military training which is comparable to that given male recruits, Captain Scott entered the serv-ice in 1942 and served as Battalion except that weapons training is elim-Personnel Officer of the 6888th inated and more emphasis is placed Central Postal Directory in France on administrative and supply pro-

Prior to her enlistment, she at- Graduates from Iowa are: Elizatended Howard University and was both M. Cook, 415 Beech Street employed by the Navy Department, Waterloo; Shirley J. Manuel, 1212 Lieutenant Landry also served McCormick Street, Des Moines.



Lieutenant Hughes



Lieutenant Honore

among the thirty-seven wo- approval."

IOWA'S SECOND WAS SINCE WATER BY AND WATER B



MISS VIRGINIA WASHINGTON

Miss Virginia Washington, 21, of 1207 Center street, became the second Negro girl from Des Moines to enlist in the Regular Army since the close of World War II.

According to Sgt. Beulah Thornton, WAC Recruiter from the Des Moines Station, only three applications have been received from colored girls and of the three two have been accepted. The Months of the colored girls and the colored girls are colored girls and the colored girls and the colored girls are colored girls are colored girls and the colored girls are colored girls and the colored girls are colored girls are colored girls are colored girls and the colored girls are colored girls ar

The first of these applications was received from Shirley Jean Manuel of 1212 McCorbick street? a former Cystander employee.

Recruit Washington left Des Moines last Thursday evening for Camp

Lee, Virginia, where she will receive basic training.

Sgt. Thornton expressed a hope with this girls are warned not to that more applications will be forth- quit their present employment until coming in the near future from col- her entry has been approved. ored girls in Des Moines. Sgt.

"An interested girl is smart to get her application in right away, and Honore, waiting list. By doing this her appli- 4-7427. 13527 Monticello Avenue, cation will be acted upon more Robbins, Ill., and Helen P. quickly, her enlistment accomplished Hughes, 1239 Greenfield with greater rapidity with very little Avenue, Chicago, III., were time spent in waiting upon later

men who formed the first To be qualified for entry into the group of Regular Army Wacs service a girl must be between the school at Cambi ages of 18 to 34, un-married, with school at Cambi for no dependents, and be a high school who were commissioned gaduate. She must pass rigid physias second lieutenants in the cal and mental examinations given Organized Reserve Corps. here at Des Moines. In connection

Sgt. Thornton can be reached at Room 108 of the Old Federal Building at Fifth and Court in Des Moines or allow her name to be placed on a she can be reached by phone at



Recruit Ethel M. Albritton of Company "B," First Battalion, Woman's Army Corps Training Company "B," First Battalion, Woman's Army C of Company "B" assists in the presentation. Recruit Albritton is the daughter of Mrs. Marie Major West received orders assigning her to the European Com-

Army Corps, has been assigned her present rank on August 21, Blackwood, U. S. Navy, Medical Luties as assistant post inspector 1942. luties as assistant post inspector 1943.

where she remained until 1944 mand in December, 1948 and ar-when she was transferred to the rived in Germany last month, Casualty Branch, Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D. C. During her tour of duty with the Casualty Branch, Major West at-tended a three-month course, at the Adjutant General's School at the WAC Officer Candidate School Fort Washington, Maryland.

Corps, during his six-year term as After receiving her commission medical director of Provident Hos-medical director of Provident Hos-medical director of Provident Hos-medical director of Provident Hos-pital in Chicago, Illinois, She later served as administrative assistant to Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,

ONORE, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Bond ently graduated from Officer Candidate School

ar 'Experiment'

egro Wats

SAN ANTONIO, Tex.—The Air Force graduated its the Air Force as a whole," Col flight of Negro Wafs last Wednesday afternoon and Air Force Base, the only basic training center in impressive ceremony were Lt. Col.

for your the USAF. were among the class of women all over the United States.

Was of the 3743rd Basic "Your actions and progress will Club from the cast of "Operation" leven-week basic training. follow you and on the future of selections of

eleven-week basic training. follow you and on the future of bonel-Malcolm N. Stewart, base the Air Force as a whole," Col. ander, was guest speaker for Stewart added. Guests on the program at the imto the graduates. In his adpressive ceremony were Lt. Col. to the group he urged the Elizabeth Smith, staff director of airmen to "Keep your sights WAC Training from Camp Lee, Va., and the "Skylanders" Glee

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Word and Corina Dixon, Chicago, III. Bettviean Kinniebrue, Indian-

said that women, as an in-Club from the cast of "Operation III.; Bettyjean Kinniebrue, Indianapart of the postwar Air Happiness," who rendered several apolis, Ind.; Elenor L. Jackson, Louisville, Ky.

and are being watched all The Flight Graduates The graduates, all privates first the United States. our actions and progress will class, were: Juanita Huey and Laubearing on all those whoretta O. Lewis, Birmingham, Ala.;
w you and on the future of Corrine M. Gogne, Los Angeles wart added.

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ny were Lieut. Col. Elizabeth dianapolis; Eleanor L. Jackson Moore, Riesel, Texas; and Elizabeth, staff director of Wac train-Louisville, Ky.; Gertie M. Wilson, beth V. Burwell. Roanoke, Va. from Camp Lee, Va., and the Detroit; Nannie M. Erickson, Grand landers" Glee Club from the Rapids, Michigan, and Rose M.

of "Operation Happiness," Bradshaw, Saginaw. Mich,
Dorothy Robinson, St. Louis, Mo.;
Mable M. Berry, Pittsburgh, Pa.;
Geraldean Moore and Hattie M. Moore, Riesel, Texas; Elizabeth V.

Burwell, Roanoke, Va., and Mable M. Garry of Union, N. J.

graduated its first flight Air Force Base, the only b ng center in the country for

to the group, the third class here since its establishmen WAF training center last fall,

urged the sister airmen to "Keep at sights high." .

ACKLAND, AFB, SAN AN-TOVIO Terms—The Air Force n in the USAF. The 17 womfrom 11 states were among class of 80 WAFS of the 3743rd nly basic training center in the ountry for women in the USAF. sic Training Squadron who com-ted the 11 weeks basic rain-olonel Malcolm N. Stewart, base The 17 women from 11 states vers among the class of 80 WAFs the 3743rd Basic Training mmander, was guest speaker the occasion and awarded cer-cates to the graduates. In his quadron who completed their 11-

Colonel Malcolm N. Stewart to the graduates. In his to the group, the third be trained here since its

center last fall, he unged the sister airmen to "Keep your sights high." He said that women, as an integral part of the postwar Air Force are more or less as experiment and are being watched by women all over the United States.

"Your actions and progress will have a bearing on all those that follow you and on the future of a Stewart added.

Guests on the program at the Elizabeth Smith, staff director of WAC, Training from Camp Lee,

Gertie M. Wilson, Detroit; Nan-nie M. Erickson, Grand Rapids, and Rose M. Bradshaw, Saginaw, Mich.:

First Tan Athlete in West Point's 147-Year History





lass Wainer, 22-year-old cadet of Norwalk Confirme must be requested in eres wither reprint the William with the competition since the school's estat

Wainer and his teammate Walter F. Hester ce baton passing in preparation for a race. mer member, first lieutenant in the 617th ardment Squad, Cadet Wainer was appoint-West Point by Congressman Adam C. Powell NYC. Note the taut expression on his face as

practices. a meet, Cadet Wainer and his teamtes on the mile-relay squad stop to look over the ram which lists the order of events. They oft to right, Cadet William F. Green of Lex-n, Ga.; Cadet Wainer; Cadet Walter F. Hester . and Cadet Ted Wagn

nearby Maryland and at the United Academy at West Point.

They are: John S. Andrus, son of Col. and Mrs. Burton C. Andrus, now stationed at Tel Aviv, attended Sullivan School; Raymond C. Bar-

Howard

Randles School.

fred E. Fagg, son of Mr. and Mrs. nw., graduate of St. Albans School Paul McCrea, 1205 N. Nash st., and attended Millard School; Herbert E. Marshburn; son of Mrs. Portia W. Marshburn, 2819 D st. nw., attended University of Maryland and Sullivan School; School, Sullivan School and Robert T. Fallon, son of Mr. and Georgetown University; Dean W. Mrs. John E. Fallon, 1832 Jeffer Meyerson, son of Mr. and Mrs. son pl. nw., attended Woodrowm D. Meyerson, 821 Gist ave. son pl. nw., attended Woodrow M. D. Meyerson, 821 Gist ave., Wilson High School and Sullivansilver Spring, Md., attended Bullis School.

School. School and Montgomery Blair High Joseph H. Gilbreth, jr., son of School in Silver Spring and Unit Col. Joseph H. Gilbreth of Law versity of Maryland; Wayne B. renceburg, Tenn., and Mrs. SueMoore, jr., son of Col. W. S. Moore, low, son of Col. Howard Sims Swan, 3000 Connecticut ave. 3427-A S. Stafford st., Arlington, and Mrs. Raymond Barlow, Fort nw., attended Millard School; Wil attended Sullivan School.

Myer, Va., attended Sullivan liam H. Goodwin, son of Mrs. P. M. Robert W. Noce, son of Maj School: David E. Bolte, son of Goodwin, Gordonsville, Va.; JohnGen. and Mrs. Daniel Noce, Fort Maj. Gen. and Mrs. Charles L. Mrs. H. I. Hodes, son of Brig. Gen. and Myer, Va.; Fentor M. Odell, son Mrs. H. I. Hodes, now stationed inpf Col. Joseph C. Odell, now living Leslie J. McNair; Japan, attended Wilson Highin Lafayette, Calif., attended West-Richard N. Bundy, son of Mrs. School and Millard School; Nor-ern High School and Sullivan Charles W. Bundy, 3707 Conn. ave. man B. Hopkins, jr., son of Capt. School; George S. Orton, son of School and Sullivan B. Hopkins, jr., son of Capt. School; George S. Orton, son of School and Sullivan B. Hopkins, jr., son of Capt. School; George S. Orton, son of School and Sullivan B. Hopkins, jr., son of Capt. School; George S. Orton, son of School and Sullivan B. Hopkins, jr., son of Capt. School; George S. Orton, son of School and Sullivan B. Hopkins, jr., son of Capt. School; George S. Orton, son of School and Sullivan B. Hopkins, jr., son of Capt. School; George S. Orton, son of School and Sullivan B. Hopkins, jr., son of Capt. School; George S. Orton, son of School and Sullivan B. Hopkins, jr., son of Capt. School; George S. Orton, son of School and Sullivan B. Hopkins, jr., son of Capt. School; George S. Orton, son of School and Sullivan B. Hopkins, jr., son of Capt. School; George S. Orton, son of School and Sullivan B. Hopkins, jr., son of Capt. School; George S. Orton, son of School and Sullivan B. Hopkins, jr., son of Capt. School; George S. Orton, son of School and Sullivan B. Hopkins, jr., son of Capt. School and Sullivan B. Hopkins, jr., son of Capt. School and Sc nw., Wilson High School; Charles and Mrs. L. K. Reynolds, graduate Con, and Mrs. William R. Orton, A. Byrne, son of Mrs. Charles I. of Annapolis High School, An-1921 Kalorama rd. nw., attended A. Byrne, son of Mrs. Charles I. Byrne, 3706 R st. nw., attended napolis, Md.; Edward B. Howard Sullivan School; Roland E. Peixot-Swestern High School and the Howard, 932 T st., nw., attended tace M. Peixotto, 3319 Fessenden School.

Randles School.

Jay A. Carey, son of Col. and Mrs. John H. Carey, 3734 D st. se.; Anthony Cavalcante, jr., son of Representative and Mrs. Anthony Cavalcante, 1901 S. George Mason dr., Arlington; Henry P. T. Corley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Corley, Midlothian, Va.; Frederic N. Eaton, son of Mrs. Frederic Coolidge High School and attended Gen. and Mrs. George W. Smythe, jr., son of Bright School and Sullivan School and Corley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank
1303 Floral st. nw., graduate of George W. Smythe
W. Corley, Midlothian, Va.; Fred-Coolidge High School and attended Gen. and Mrs. George W. Smythe
eric N. Eaton, son of Mrs. Frederic
Bullis School in Silver Spring, Washington, D. C., attended Wash
W. Munro Magruder, son of Brig. Lagranger, and Lee High School in Silver N. Eaton, 2002 P st. nw., attended Md.; Munro Magruder, son of Brig washington, D. C., attended Wash Western High School and Bullis Gen. (Ret.) and Mrs. John Malington and Lee High School in School in Silver Spring, Md.; Algruder, 1061 Thomas Jefferson st. Arlington and Sullivan School





2 Receive Commissions at West Point, Bring Total Number of Graduates to

milies of Washington and St. Louis Cadets Mr. Gray also urged increased

(More photos on back page)

WEST POINT, N.Y. — Amid majestic military splendor that is traditional at West Point, Second Lieutenants Edward Brinkley Howard of Washington and Charles Lee Smith of St. Louis, last Tuesday at noon became the last Tuesday at

ceive their diplomas and commissions from Maj. Gen. Bryant E. graduates.

Moore, superintendent of the Academy, the standings being artor of the according to general merit.

Presentation of the degrees, each receiving a bachelor of sci serve them from foes within and each receiving a bachelor of sci serve them from foes within and each a second lieutenant in the warned them against "forces and a commission foes without."

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"I feel great. It is the happiest Germany." moment of my life."

night at 8 p.m. at the St. Marks

last Tuesday at noon became the 12th and 13th colored graduates of the United States Military Commander in the American Zone in Germany, and Acting Academy.

In a class of 572, Lieutenant Howard was the 281st and Lieutenant Smith, the 550th, to receive their diplomas and commissions from Maj. Gen. Bryant E.

Agter the war."

Gen. Lucius D. Clay, former military commander in the American Zone in Germany, and Acting Secretary of War Gordon Gray, who was nominated as Secretary coats, white trousers, black shoes who was nominated as Secretary control of War by President Truman at Field House, flanked by tiers of about the same time he made his speech, addressed the West Point and sweethearts, with the remaining development of the cadet corns of 2487 in the cadet corns of

scribing the event as "the fulfill-tegrity, American resourcefulness Report in August ment of an accomplishment I've and American brains" in the "su Lieutenants Howard and Smith long dreamed about." He added, perb discharge of his duties in were commissioned as officers in

Witness Colorful Ceremonies at Field House pay for Army personnel, declaring that increased pay was an "imMethodist Church in New York perative necessity" for the correction of inadequacies, and inequitor of the church officiation.

making each a second lieutenant in He warned them against "forces the U.S. Army, took place in thein this world which would tend to invy-clad Field House that standsdestroy the freedoms in which we above the Hudson River.

Proud relatives and friends of recognize them as enemies and the graduating cadets let loose treat them accordingly." At the thunderous ovations as they same time, he said, those other moved single-file up the ramp in friendly forces in the world strugther flag-bedecked and spacious gling for the freedom we enjoy drill hall to receive their richt "deserve and will receive out of the forces are an instrument of that the graduates and ard, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. to preserve a peace in which free the graduating radets and as the Edward W. Howard of 932 T St. dom can be sustained. Our armed order to "dismiss" was sounded, N.W., Washington, witnessed the forces are an instrument of that the student body let out a thunceremony, declared at the conclusion of the exercises, "I am happy to play their part well.

Mr. Gray, following Gen. Clay their white caps sailing to the the graduating classmate, Lieu-to the platform, praised the for-rafters from where they fell free-tenant Smith of 2617 Dickson St., mer commander in Germany as St. Louis, was more articulate, de "the very symbol of American in scribing the event as "the fulfill-tegrity, American resourcefulness ment of an accommissions by Maj. After the presentation of di-plomas and commissions by Maj. After the presentation of di-plomas and commissions by Maj. After the presentation of di-plomas and commissions by Maj. After the presentation of di-plomas and commissions by Maj. After the presentation of di-plomas and commissions by Maj. After the presentation of di-plomas and commissions by Maj. After the presentation of di-plomas and commissions by Maj. After the presentation of di-plomas and commissions by Maj. After the presentation of di-plomas and commissions by Maj. After the plomas and commissions by Maj. After the presentation of di-pl

the Signal Corps and Coast Artil-Then Mr. Gray advised the lery, respectively, and both will

Lieutenant Howard, 23, is a graduate of Dunbar High School in Washington and attended Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire, prior to receiving his West Point appointment in 1944 from Rep. William L. Dawson (Dem., Ill.) of the First Illinois District.

First Tan Youth in Dixie

Selected for West Point

By STAFF CORRESPONDENT

District. While at the Academy, he held DURHAM, N.C. — Another first the rank of Cadet Sergeant and was made last week when Senator was a member of the Camera Frank P. Graham recommended Club. He also was on the How for appointment Leroy Jones of itzer Photo Staff (Howitzer is the Kinston as a second alternate to

Cadet yearbook).

Lieutenant Smith is a graduate Point.

Of Vashon High School in St. This marks the first time in hisLouis and also attended Stowe tory that a Southern School has

Teachers College of St. Louis and recommended a colored youth to Cornell University, where he was the academy.

a member of the USMA Prep Senator Graham said that he School. He served in the Army recommended Jones, on the basis as an aviation cadet in the 1170th of pre-determined civil service Training Group stationed at Kes examinations that are competitive. sler Field, Miss., prior to appoint and used by "a good many ment to West Point by Rep. Louis Senators."

E. Miller, 11th Missouri District. The former president of the Azademy, Lieutenant University of North Carolina said

Smith also held the rank of Cadet he decided to use the examinations

Smith also held the rank of Cadet he decided to use the examinations
Sergeant and was a member of as a means of measuring ability
the Portuguese Club and the and apititude, and it was inderstood that the your making he
six highest and draw the
appointments

Among guests at the cerJones pracet fifth in the field of
monies was Kermitt Wheeler of six drawing the second alternate
1228 Bayard St., St. Louis, teach-choice. The examinations were
er at Vashon High, who taught held last July 11.

Lieutenant Smith and was one of If the two white youths Locke Lieutenant Smith and was one of If the two white youths, Locke his sponsors for the appointment. Hauser of Fayetteville, and W. M. He recalled Smith as "an excel-Gambill of Wilkesboro, fail, and lent student" and winner of many Jones passes, then he becomes the honors during his scholastic days principal choice of the Senator Besides Mr. and Mrs. Howard, for West Point among, those, who attended the ceremonies as guests of Lieuten. All of the appointees yet have to ant Haward were Mrs. Ruth B stand entrance examinations given Brown, an aunt, and Miss Adelle by West Point before the top man Conwell, both of Washington is admitted.

Conwell, both of Washington; is admitted.

Miss Lucille Burns of New York

City and Mrs. Carlos Burns of College in Raleigh and has worked Highland Falls, N.Y.

Augustine College in Raleigh and has worked as a newsboy and newspaper help

Other guests of Lieutenanter in his home town.

Smith's included Mrs. Lillian D.
Allen, Rockford, Ill.; Ethel S.
Dave, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Ruth
Brinkley, Mrs. Preston Davis,
Akron, Ohio; Miss Evelyn Hayden, St. Louis, and his bride, Miss
Barrien.

egration Policy of Air Forces

23 ROTC Airmen From Howard University land are on the ball here.

Praise Program; Sing With Marylanders men from Lockbourne.

By WOODY L. TAYLOR

pical of what such a policy sity and a native Washingtonian. us composed of cadets mainly

nsecutive year to see first hand Teachers College, and the United kind of training the ROTC versity of Indiana.

Lead Rugged Life en receive and the conditions This is in line with Howard opinions of the camp; niversity's policy of knowing Howard Davis: "All in all it is thand, regardless to where a pretty nice place but the work or students are, what type of in- is rugged." hem and how it is being done.

To Intensify Training

Air ROTC training in the 1949-rough as Professor Coleman's physics."

The training the cadets are geting this summer is an introducting the what they will receive to what they will receive the coleman as Professor Coleman's physics."

Clyde Luck of Danville, Va.:

This is quite an experience."

Robert L. Strange of Alexandria Va.:

hen the work begins.

The camp at Wright-Patterson leld consists of 47 officers, 573

udent cadets, there are three replied in unison: hers who came from mixed hools, Ohio State and the Uniersity of Illinois.

in many of the military, us better training.

ts, extra-curricular, and rec-

is is not only true with them

men from the University of Mary-

According to Cadet Strange, who acted as general spokesman for the group, all of the Howard men are active in everything

By WOODY L. TAYLOR

First Sgt. Levy J. Delane hasevery week.

Charge of all non-commissed This includes the student public troops; M/Sgt. Brewster O. Mur-lication, "Riot Call," the variety really working here."

That is what the 23 Howard is the transportation ser-show, the chorus and stunt night, geant, T/Sgt. Thomas Washington is the administrative clerk.

Squadron C, one of the four in which the camp is divided and

summer training camp at which the camp is divided, and at-Patterson Field here told the one in which the Howard men and a group of their are, is commanded by Howard Davis, a sophomore at the univer-

Beat Notre Dame James O. Bourne of Irontown, Howard and the University Ohio, commanded his group last

is something that perhaps
Id have happened under no
r condition, the airmen pointut.
Inspection Tour

Onto, commanded his group last
week.

The Howard men have formed a
basketball team which scored a
victory over the Notre Dame team
last week. The score was 36-28.
Squadron C also consists of the

Squadron C also consists of the group of Howard University contingents from the University litary instructors and this re-of Maryland, the University of the came here for the second Wisconsin, Ohio State, Bell State

ler which they are getting it. Here are the Howard student's

ation is being imparted to James O. Bourne: "The life is and how it is being done. rough but I feel it is worth it in the end. We are learning some-The university will step up its thing here that will follow us for its ROTC training in the 1949-rough

to what they will receive andria, Va.: "Some ole Air Force so far as I am concerned, that is, regarding the work. I can see a change in policy, however. This ted airmen from Lockbourne camp has a high calibre of men.

willians and 428 students.

Five of the 57 officers are from lowerd and constitute the only colored commission officers in the land addition to the 23 Heward and constitute the only colored commission officers in the land addition to the 23 Heward and colored commission officers in the land addition to the 23 Heward and colored commission officers in the land addition to the 23 Heward and colored commission officers in the land addition to the 23 Heward and colored commission of the land colored c

Prefer Racial Mixture

"We prefer being scattered out Lead in Activities

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as we are. It gives us an opportunity to meet fellows from other schools and other races and gives

They had much praise for the students from the University of Wisconsin and Ohio State. As one also with some of the enlisted Howard man put it!-"Even the



Graham Jackson (right), popular entertainer, who was a chief perty officer (recruiting) during the war, receives a citation and commendation ribbon from R. J. Greene, USNR, acting commanding officer at the Naval Air Station in Atlanta. At right is Mrs. Graham Jackson.

Army to Put Some Negroes

In white Units

An Army spokesman yesterday amended an earlier statement by a military official to make it plain that Negro coldiers who qualify as pecialists under the new Army racial policies may be assigned to racial policies may be assigned to

white units under certain circumtances.

When the new policy was made, public last week, a spokesman said that Negroes who qualify for military specialities after schooling will be assigned only to Negro units it post 'overlead'.

Yesterday, it was said that they can also be assigned to white organizations. However, it was made plain that this would normally occur only in the case of "rare"

occur only in the case of "rare specialties" such as top radar non-

Colonel Michael E. Halloran, (left), commanding officer, 24th Infantry Regiment, Camp Gifu, Japan, pins bronze star medals for exemplary conduct during combat in World War II, on Sergeant Edwell Wilson, 116 East Columbia stree., Lawton, Okla., and Captain Thurston E. Jamison, 2552 East 85th street, Cleveland, Ohio during a regimental parade at Camp Gifu. (U. S. Arny Photo)

Two Get Army Good-Conduct Medals in Japan

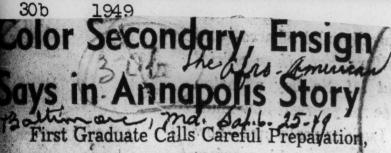


Cpl. Isaan Wilson of Opelousas, La., a member of the 636th Ordrance Company in Hôzono, Japan, receives his medal from Col. Steven L. Connor. Awaiting his medal is Cpl. Willie J. Brown, Louvett, Ga., Capt. William B. Garland, company commander, is at left.



J. E. Johnson, steward, third class, VSN, son of J. W. Johnson of 2624 Barry Dr., S. E., Washington, D. C., receives the Navy Unit Commendation Ribbon from the commanding officer aboard his ship, the minesweeper USS Tanager, attached to the Mine Force, Atlantic Fleet, Johnson was awarded the commendation for his war service aboard the destroyer USS Calvert, which was cited by the Secretary of the Navy for meritorious service against enemy action in both European and Pacific campaigns. Before entering the Naval service in November, 1942, Johnson attended Vocational School.

—(Official U. S. Navy Photograph—1056131)



Love of Navy Chief Prerequisites at Academy PHILADELPHIA school for a year. Major in math and English. You should have plenty of practice in expressing plenty of practice in expressing provinced to the pressing pressing provinced to the pressing pressi

rangemy, but that was because he remember that while you are in the Army and the Navy the Navy you are an American ranted him discharged from the naval officer first and a colored army before he was sworn into the person second."

Navy, while the Army wanted him accepted by the Navy first.

When that matter was settled,

Mr. Brown became a midshipman and several classmates asked to room with him but he decided to

go it alone. "I didn't know if they felt sorre for me or genuinely believed me for be a good prospect." Mr. Brown says. "However, I figured that I could study better by myself. Also, I didn't want my roommate to take a shellacking should I get into expense trouble."

cess trouble. At the beginning, a small clique of upperclassmen tried to work him of upperclassmen tried to work him over. Mr. Brown relates, but after about six months he became oriented and the novelty of having colored midshipman around was foreotten.

His instructors treated him impertially, his mother visited him constants at the academy, and he

egularly at the academy, and he attended the school's social funchis class.

Entering Annanolis from a segresated high school. Mr. Brown was burdened with the problem of social readiustment. he says. Also. he was at an educational disadvantage in comparison with the others in his class. He offers this advice to the way and desire to enter the Naval Academy:

"The most important thing is ervently to desire a Naval career if you have any other reason, you'll find the going tough. This applies to all midshipman candidates.

Tirges Vear of Preparation "Academic background is im

plenty of practice in expressing yourself quickly and clearly under pressure or you'll surely end up clutching."

"Attend a school which is non-segregated, if possible, so that your only problems at Annapolis will be academic and your energies won't be dissipated in social readjustments.

"Read all the books you can about the Navy and get training in a Naval Reserve unit. Know so much about the history of the Navy that entering Annapolis will be no shock to you. And after you arrive, remember that while you are in the Navy you are an American



Negroes fighting in the Union Army in the Civil War of 1861-65. Scenes like this are never shown in Hollywood films.

Hollywood:

Hollywood's Classic Caricature Of the Negro in the Civil War

(Fifth of a Series) thousands of anti-Negro features, shorts and cartoons during the past 50 years, Hollywood has developed a classic caricature of the Negro in relation to the Civil War which freed him. He is presented not as the forthright citizen whose statesmanship in the Reconstruction Parliaments following Lee's surrender resulted in the most demofool who preferred servitude to old South of crinoline and magnolia blossoms and lovely, gen-

their minds closed against the Courier before the Civil War: Negro by these malicious distor- \$20.00 reward. Ran away from

in which the true history of Ne-is 16 or 17 years of age, slim gro struggle against slavery is made, lately branded on her left seconded is surely one of the cheek thus 'R' and a piece is great cultural tragedies of our taken off her left ear on the same

simply not interested in the fact that for 200 years the even known, but as an ignorant noblest battles for freedom in noted Negro historian once Negro slaves put up one of the human history; the fact that tens said that "to the Negro in bonds, of thousands of slaves escaped the institution of slavery was noted in a speech at the Holly-wood Writers Congress in 1943, "have perverted the Civil War to fit the reactionary legend of the old South of winding and the south of the sou cruelest social systems; the fact work were usually from four that the enslaved Negro popula-tion fought tirelessly against the morning to nine at night

conditions described in the fol-No one knows how many millowing advertisement which ap-lions of Americans have had peared in the Charleston (S. C.)

the subscriber on the 14th inst. That not a single film exists a Negro girl named Molly. She side; same letter 'R' branded Our Jimcrow film makers are on the inside of both her legs.

BENJAMIN BRAWLEY, the

and his average allowance for the Chamber of Commerce defood was a peck and a half of clared a holiday. Atlanta's newsmeal and three pounds of bacon papers printed souvenir editions or its equivalent a week. Plant-which revived hopes in the hearts ers, many times, discussed of the Bourbons for a return of whether the slave was more the lynch spirit with which to profitable when worked lightly beat down the developing moveor when exhausted in a decade, ments of Negro and white in the and favored the latter.

the Negro was found with a Citizens named Sherman, Linpencil in his hand, the master coln, Grant, Douglas, Vesey, Gafrequently killed.

French, Indians, Canadians, a ticket to the premiero.

Dutch, Spanish, Mexican, BritThe N. Y. City opening of Spanish, Mexican, BritThe N. Y. ish armies; enlistment in federal GWTW was the signal for an unforces; anti-slavery agitation- precedented gathering of the mil-talking, writing; revolts. What is lionaire class. No movie in history more 175,000 Negroes from the ever had such a powerful first slave south served on the north-night audience. All of Park Aveslave south served on the north-night audience. All of Park Aveern side of the civil war because nue and Wall Street was reprethey were convinced this was a sented. But Oscar Polk, the Nefight for their freedom. Eighty gro actor who had a part in the thousand freed Negroes from the film and had a ticket to the perthousand freed Negroes from the film and had a ticket to the pernorth also served in the northern formance was forced to submit armies of Lincoln. These 250, to the indignity of cross-example of the cedented courage in 450 battles he was permitted to take his in the Civil War. They played seet Repierrin I. Davis Ir. was in the Civil War. They played seat. Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., was a tremendous role in the defeat correct in saying that the preof the slaveocracy.

mountainous evidence of Negro of the picture. struggle against slavery what is one to think of a film like Gone

lanta, Ga. in December, 1939, Birth Of A Nation, did not rally

south. The flags of the defeated · On certain plantations if confederacy lined the streets. would for the first offense pound briel, to name but a few heroes in his thumb with a hammer; for the fight against slavery-had to the second, he would cut off his keep out of sight that day. Upper hand; if the slave was caught class dowagers dug into the looking into a book he was depths of ancient trunks and forced to kneel before his mas-brought out remembers ter who would spit tobacco juice palatial splendors. The dames ter who would spit tobacco juice palatial splendors. The dames ter who would spit tobacco juice palatial splendors and tightly trying to run away he was beat-bodiced gowns. Obese men es en within an inch of his life and sported porkpie hats, tight requently killed.

Dr. Herbert Aptheker points coats. A Negro choir dressed in out that the struggles of the the garb of the prewar planta-American Negro against these tion was hired to sing spirituals horrible conditions took eight in front of the theatre. The choir forms: The purchase of freedom; sang beautifully of those sorrowstrikes; sabotage; suicide and ful days, but significantly enough self-mutilations; flight-to comnot a single one of Atlanta's 90,munities of runaways, to the 000 Negroes was allowed to buy

he was permitted to discovered in saying that the pre-mieres alone were sufficient to the harmful character In the face of this truly indicate the harmful character

GONE WITH THE WIND With the Wind which had the struck at the very roots of Amerrather go down under the slavemaster's whip than throw off
their chains.

CONE WITH THE WIND—

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When the fill

The NAACP which did such a suc When the film opened in At- fine work in the fight against

ivil War Vet, 105, Who Fled Master to Fight for Freedom, at GAR Session

Joined Union Army to End Parents' Long

Servitude, Aided Mother Until She Died INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — Joe to night school to keep up with clovese, 105, who fled from his

French master in Louisiana-beveterans attending the 83rd and can see.

Mrs. Daniel who accompanied Clovese was made especially hap-

Name for France's Founder Sunday papers here, the day he He was the first child born to arrived, that when Indianapolis Joe and Mary Alexander in the public high schools reopen this slave quarters of John Longee, month, segregated schools will French planter of St. Bernard come to an end. parish in southeastern Louisiana. "When they told me about it," The planter liked him and nick-he commented, "I rejoiced."

named him Clovese for the Fifth- Clovese nodded his head in a Century Frank who founded the happy mood when President Tru-French nation.

When the Civil War approached loudspeaker in a hotel.

Louisiana, Clovese, who had spent Greeted by Chi

Found Mother in Orleans ville. Found Mother in Orleans

But, ironically, in the disorder whom were 100 years old, were following the war, Clovese could the only ones out of 16 living not find his mother. He worked able to attend the encampment.

At the final meeting when each his forward captain on a plantation, At the final meeting when each his forward to prove hoats. then on river boats.

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In the early 1900's in New Or. gave his farewell speech before leans, he became sick. When he 5,000 persons in the hotel ball-recovered, he had no job and room, Clovese said:

"I was born in 1844. I'm glad room gladered around the city."

if he knew my mother. I was only be all one." a few blocks from where she lived. At first we didn't recognize each other.

Mother Died at 90 Clovese took care of his mother until her death at 90. He turned to breaking horses and later to gardening, and he was 89 before he stopped active work.

He also worked as a longshore-mand and could lift 200 pounds. After he was 40, he decided to go in for book-learning, "so I could read the Bible all the way Loses Sight

cause he wanted his parents to be About 10 years ago his eyes went free—was one of six Civil War bad on him and now he no longer

final encampment of the Grand
Arm of the Houbic
Clovese, now the charge of Mrs.
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Valrie Daniel, Louisi can, whose The colored company in which he family moved to Pontiac, Mich., was a private furied soldiers' last year, gave this dramatic action of his life in the presence count of his life in the presence of Mrs.

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mans greetings were read over a

Greeted by Chief

Louisiana, Clovese, who had spent
19 years in servitude, saw in it
a chance that his parents might
become free.

He ran away and volunteered
to serve with the Union forces
that had just captured Vicksburg,
Miss.

He recalled: "I wanted to join
so bad that I cried, and the officer
out me in uniform."

Greeted by Chief
Chief of Staff Albert Woolson,
102, Duluth, Minn., upon greeting
the former bondman, assured him
that "the colored man is going to
come into his own yet."
Woolson, a drummer boy at
Chickamauga, recalled that there
were 13,000 colored troops with the
Union Army at the Battle of Nashville.

wandered around the city.

"I was born in 1844. I'm glad
One day a stranger mentioned and I thank my white friends. I
names that were familiar. I asked hope we shall meet in heaven and

through." At 85, he was again going

Wards and Often C. Facilities Are Full

By JAMES L. HICKS

F A COLORED MAN is patriotic and unselfish enough to ex-charged, on disability, from the pose his body to shrapnel and bullet wounds on an unsegre Navy. /- 8-4 gated battlefield during the war, his government should be His wife took him to Mt. Alto big and unselfish enough to offer him an unsegregated hospital hospital. The "colored" beds were ward in which to die when the war is over.

that unselfish.

Hurts Our Heroes

ans Administration (with its na- so too. /- 8- 4-9 tional headquarters located less Acting under this formula, the it possible for such an agency as with some 200 or more beds. the VA (or such a government as ours, for that matter) to exist.

erans of this nation, operates more veterans. This ward contained than 110 hospitals and domiciliary thirty-three beds. institutions in the largest hospitali- If more than thirty-three veterzation system in the world.

three-fourths of these hospitals bar mission and placed on a "waiting colored veterans from their beds list" until one of the thirty-three because of their race and half of colored veterans either died or bethe remaining fourth of them ad. came well enough to be sent home mit them inside their doors but and make room for another colimmediately place them on jim. ored veteran on the waiting list. crow wards.

given a close look at just how the will set up emergency beds to take system works in one of the VA's care of them - on the jim-crow hospitals which segregates colored wards, of course. But even this is

To give this practice all the proves the point. irony which it deserves let's use In 1945 a disabled veteran, the VA hospital in Washington, whose wife was employed at the

But the Federal Government, as The policy-making fords of the portrayed by the Veterans Admin VA have decided that the VA's stration, is neither that big nor hospitals will hospitalize veterans "according to the pattern of the local community." This means, While official Washington that if the community generally arouses itself over the lack of civil practices segregation the VA will rights to its colored citizens all do so too. If the community pracover the United States, the Veter-tices integration, the YA will do

than 300 yards from the front door VA has ruled that Washington of the White House) practices dis-practices segregation and, therecriminations of the worst kind fore, it must segregate colored vetagainst the very men whose strug- erans in its hospital wards at gles in the last war helped to make Mount Alto, a VA hospital there

"Colored" Ward

Now in Mt. Alto the VA has The VA, in its care for the vet- set aside "Ward C" for colored

ans applied for admission to Mt. Yet by the VA's own figures Alto, they simply were refused ad-

The VA will deny this in part. This is a vicious practice—this They say that no veterans are regregation of disabled veterans—turned down in "emergency" cases out it is not generally known just and that when more colored veterhow really vicious it is until one is ans apply than it has beds for it an untruth and the following case

D.C., for an example Bureau of Printing and Engraving,

suddenly became very ill of an ailment for which he had been dis-

all filled. The officer of the day at the hospital declared that the man's case was not an "emergency" and placed him on the "waiting list" for one of the "colored" beds when one should become empty through death or discharge of its colored occupant.

The wife of the veteran called me and asked if I could do anything about it. I called the hospital, talked with the officer of the day. He confirmed that here were no beds vacant on the "colored" wards but insisted that there was no cause for excitement because the man was not an emergency case anyway. A few days later the man died!



Five chaplains take care of the religious needs of the 2200 patients at the Tuskegee Veterans Administration Hospital. Shown above in conference with Dr. T. T. Tildon (seated, center), manager of the hospital, they are, leff to right: standing, Lee A. Thigpen Jr., A. L. Thomas Sr., King D. S. Pogue; seated, H. J. C. Bowden and Charles W. Kelley (part-time

TUSKEGEE, Ala.—Approval has weekly for the purpose of participation of the VA Hospital, ting in the educational activities. Tuskegee, to conduct a residency training program in Internal Medicine for physicians who have completed their internship and who desire to specialize in this field. The denoy training in suggest, psychic desire to specialize in this field. The above statement was confirmed by Dr. T. Tildon, hospital manager. Dr. Tildon further stated that the approval action was taken by the Council on Medical Education and Hacetiste of the American Medical teachers from various universities Hospitals of the American Medical teachers from various universities

American Board of Internal Medicine, who was formerly professor of medicine at Meharry Medical College. The teaching of the young physicians is accomplished by the senior staff members under Dr. Odom's leadership, ably supported by the Medical faculty of Emory University Medical College, Atlanta, Georgia: A team of teachers from

Association in concurrence with in the country have, or will, come to Tuskegee to participate in this course. Dr. Marion Hines, for twenty-two years a teacher of neu-The Medical Service at the Tus-tegee hospital is headed by Dr. Personatory at John Hopkins and presently Research Professor in Neurophysiology at Emory Medical College, has just completed a 20-lecture course in neurophysiology. Among other lecturers are Dr. R. S. Crispell, Chief of Neuropsychiatry in the southeastern area; Dr. Nicholas Gotten, Neurosurgeon, University of Tennessee Medical College: Dr. C. G.

skegee Veterans Hospital

taminated by germ-laden air from TUSKEGEE, ALA. Feb. 10.—

persons who might sneeze or cough while passing by the table. There is an electric dishwashing atest phovations for cafeterias machine which washes, rinses and and retail stores, was opend atsterilizes the dishes in one op-

the Tuskogee Veleraps Adminis- eration.
The retail store incorporates all tation Hospital today for the new systems in display cases, use of patients and employes. counters, light In a short talk dedicating thetion devices. counters, lighting, and preserva-

canteen. Dr. T. T. Tildon, hospital The canteen will be open daily manager, said the establishment from 7 a.m., to 7 p.m.

is one of the three largest in this a two-chair barber shop will be area and "is an example of what installed soon. A three-lane bowlthe Veterans Administration ising alley is planned for the space doing to provide its patients withformerly occupied by the can-

doing to provide its patients withformerly occupied by the canthe best of everything."

"Skill acquired over a period of 30-odd years was utilized to make his one of the most inviting and attractive canteens in the country," Dr. Tildon said.

An open house will be held Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m., to which all residents of the Tuskegee community have been invited Music will be furnished by the patients orchestra with vocal bits. March 35-26, to an invited all residents of the furnished by the patients orchestra with vocal bits. March 35-26, to an invited an invited of the neuropsychiatric canteen, which is under the super-section, VA Regional Office at Merita, chief of canteen opera-chiatry, VA Hospital, Montgomtion of VA District Office No. 5, ery. Dr. Charles A. Brown, VA Atlanta, Ga., supervised the in-office, Birmingham; Dr. Ross C. stallation, which was done by Speir, VA office, Birmingham; and the hospital utility division. Dr. Leon Rackow, Tuscaloosa; and Dr. P. P. Barker, VA Hospital, South for selling various small items. Carolina and Tennessee.

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Every piece of equipment is of latest design and with the primary thought of sanitation. All equipment is raised off the floor so that every inch of the floor can e kept clean.

The kitchen shines with stainless steel and is arranged for maximum results with minimum effort. As many as 2,000 persons can be accommodated in the cafeteria within a period of two hours.

Hot food is served on pre-neated dishes and cold food on pre-cooled dishes. One of the features of the cafeterian is a steam table equipped with a novel that the food will not be consneeze protector, which insures that the food will not be conTuskegee Veterans Hospital

Service

WASHINGTON — Dr. Clifton O. Dummett, Professor of Dentistry and Dean of the School of Dentity at Melarry Medical Conege, Nashtille, Tennessee, has been appointed Chief of the Dental Service at the Tuskegee, Alabama, Veterans Administration hospital.

Dr. Dummett's appointment becomes effective August 1, 1949, according to an announcement by Dr. Bion R. East, Assistant Medical Director for the Dental Service of V-A. Dr. East said Dr. Dummett will have a month's tour of duty at the V-A hospital, Hines, Illinois, before as-

suming his duties at Tuskegee.
Dr. East said that Dr. Dummett's

Gets Award for Suggestion

ouesser L. Lee (right), laboratory assistant at the laboratory assistant at the laboratory also in Problems. Ala., receives from Dr. T. T. Tildon, manager of the hospital, a cash award of \$25 and a certificate of appreciation signed by Carl R. Gray, Administrate of Veterans Affairs, for his suggestion which motorizes the microtome. Motorizing this instrument has been a great improvement in the Isboratory service and its resulted in an appreciable saving to the Veterans Administration. The award is the second largest made to an employee at that hospital. Mr. Lee, who hails from the State of Oklahoma, has been in the Tederal Service since 1934.

k Sixth Largest VA Unit In Nation

Crafts Are Taught

Future Of Patients
Emphasized By Doctors
Through Therapy Work

By GERALD J. McALLISTER
Advertiser State Editor
TUSKEGEE, ALA., Aug. 20—
Tucked away in Macon County's gently rolling hills is the Tuskegee Veterans Administration Hospital, sixth largest in the nation.

The sprewling 2,200-bed hospital is for Negro veterans and is operated entirely by Negroes.

Manager of the 1,400 employes of the 1,400 employes is soft-spoken, Texas-born Dr. Touissiant T. Tildon. He has been with the hospital since it was dedicated in 1923 by the late Calvin Coolidge, then vice president. was dedicated in 1923 by the late Calvin Coolidge, then vice presi-

A Working Tribute

The hospital is more than a de

The hospital is more than a working tribute to the professional ability of Negroes, it is a prime economic factor in east-central Alabama with a whopping annual payroll of \$4,000,000. A contract for \$1,167,148 was signed recently to add another 100-bed unit to the hospital.

Dr. Tildon operates the hospital with an eye on the patient's future after he leaves the hospital. The bulk of the patients (1,700) are neuro-psychiatric cases. Others are general medical and surgical. A program under the supervision of bouncy, little Dr. H. F. Davis, chief of physical medicine, sparkplugs the physical medicine, sparkplugs the

terviews, determines a patient's ability to master a craft. "It is all part of curing the patient," Dr. Davis emphasizes.

Courses range from poultry raising to watch repair.

Exudes Hospitality

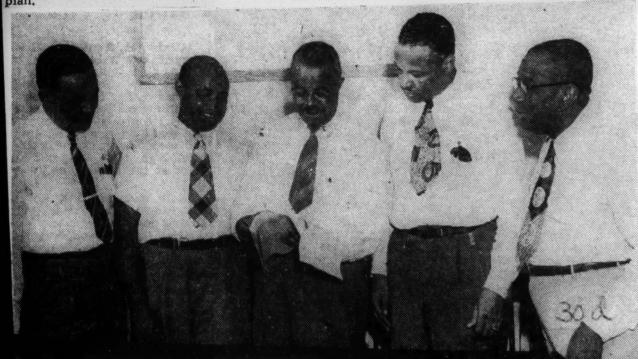
The hospital's staff

Exudes Hospitality

The hospital's staff exudes an atmosphere of hospitality and restrained pride. A tour of Dr. Strained pride.

In July, the hospital launched program to bring top educational talent into the hospital.

The plan is a three-year residency for fresh-out doctors. A dean's committee of University of Alabama and Emory University doctors bring the talent for this



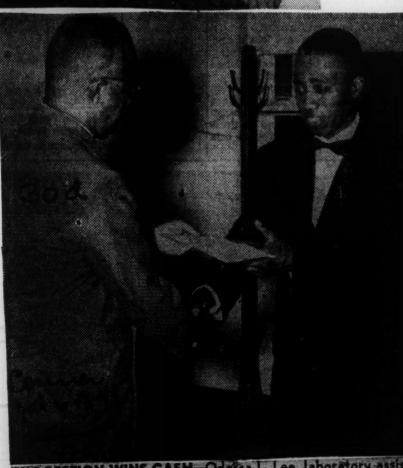
TUSKEGEE'S TOP BR ecutive officer; Dr. Joseph A. Berry, assistant chief surgeon; Dr. T. T. Tildon, manager; Dr. Earl T. Odom, chief of medical services; Dr. Prince Barker, chief of neuro-psychiatric services.

Georgia Contractor Gets Tuskege Hospital Fund

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15 —(P)
— Batson-Cock Company, West
Point G., will build the 100 bed addition to the Tuskegee, Ala., Veterans Hospital for \$1,155,788. The Veterans Administration construction service awarded the construction service awarded the general con fuction contract to the Georgia firm. The cievator contract was awarded to General Elevator Company, Atlanta, for its low bid of \$66,986.

The Veterans Administration operates 2,208 beds, primarily for neuropsychiatric patients, at Tuskegee. The 100-bed addition to building No. 3 will be for gen-

building No. 3 will be for general medical and surgical patients.



SUGGESTION WINS CASH-Odessa L. Lee, laboratory assist ant, VA Hospital, Tuskages, Ala., was recently presented by namer. Eight counts were lodged properties of the hospital, a cash award of \$25 and a Certificate of Appreciation signed by Carl B. Native of Bessemer, she was employed at the Veterans Hospital at Gray, Administrator of Veterans Affairs, for his suggestion quaskegee.

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TUSKEGEE DETICIAN - Miss Abbie N. Campbell, former Women's Army Corps member and teacher in several states in the South, has been appointed dietician at the Tuskegee VA Hospital. She holds the rank of major in the Wac reserve officer corps in the War Department.

Woman Gets Five

-Mrs. Edwena Logan Neal, a Tuskegse resident, confessed in a federal district court here last Friday, October 21, to stealing about 190 from seven persons.

She was placed on the year propation, having returned all the money involved when she appeared before Federal Judge C. R. Kenned

ed before Federal Judge C. B. Ken-

Rankin Democrat Mississippi, yes-given it his blessings rectay asked Congress to build Representative John E. Rankin, a Booker T. Washington Memor-Democrat, of Mississippi, had contail Hospital for Negro veterals at ferred with him, Mr. McCormack the late Negro educators in his said, and "The bill is a deserving place in Franklin County, Va.

He proceded a bill to provide 55,000,000 to buy the land and rect a hospital.

The bill was passed by unanimous consent and sent to the Senate

Virginia

WASHINGTON, D. C .- (NNPA) ire Joe Dibrell, chairman, and Miss The House last Monday passed the Grace Hudspeth. The appointments bill to construct a Jim Crow vewere disclosed by Dr. P. A. Waters, terans hospital at the birthplace of manager. 300ker T. Washington in Franklin

consent and sent to the Senate where an identical measure was illed in a Labor and Public Welfare subcommittee, headed by Senator Wayne Morse, Republican, of Ore-

Rankin, chairman of the House Veterans' Affairs Committee, was the sponsor of the measure.

In reporting the bill favorably, the Veterans' Affairs Committee, said "the advisability and practicability" of constructing a Jim Crow hospital at Dr. Washington's birthplace was based on the fact that such a hospital "has been very successfully operated by the Veterans' Administration at Tuskegee, Ala."

The committee also reported that in addition to the advisability and the need for such a hospital to serve colored veterans in the region comprising Virginia, West Virginia. Maryland and the District of Columbia, it also felt that it is "a timely recognition of the services rendered" by Dr. Washington.
The Veterans Administration,

however, is opposed to the construction of a Jim Crow Hospital either in Franklin Cunty, Virginia or at Mound Bayou Mississippi which Rankin also is seeking to have Congress authorize.

hospital in the vicinity of Meharr The VA favors construction of a Medical College at Nashville, Ten nessee, in keeping with its policy to locate VA facilities near medica centers so that veterans may receive the best possible medical at

There has been a cut back in VA hospital and domiciliary construction, which it contends will still make a possible to provide for all service-connected patients in every geographical area and also provide an even more liberal allowance of beds for non-service-connected paber of Battery A of the 963rd Field Artillery, becoming the first colored man to join the Connecticut National Guard.

St. Karl Bossone, commanding officer of the battery, administered the oath at the Norwall applied the same five years' service in the Army decision he has previously more in World War II. His enlistment followed the enactment last month of Connecticut's 'outlawov. Bowles Ends

In both States, constitutional ing segregation in the Guard, amendments have eliminated segregation in the State militia and although he has not personally accorded to elimination of racing expregation in military service, the Army head has bowed to the according to the service of these controls of the control of the cont

pressed will of the people of these the reply to Counter thoung its rarding the status of the Connectiout Guard since the recent antijim-crow amendment to the State constitution, Secretary Royall reerred to the letter he had sent, in February, 1948, to New Jersey's Gov. Alfred Driscoll, He then added: "This same policy will be applied also in Connecticut where the people, through their legisla-ture, have decided that they do not want segregation in the Naional Guard."

This action in Connecticut came as a result of a drive led by newly elected Gov. Chester-Bowles.

nt Segregated Cuard Okoned In Connecticut

signed today a bill prohibiting racial segregation in the Connective National Strike out against congressional opponents of President Truman's civil rights program.

The Democratic chief executive acted to make the segregation ban effeceive at once within a few hours after its final approval by the general assembly. The Republican-controlled House adopted the bill unanimously, as had the Democratic Senate yesterday.

In a statement issued as he In a statement issued as ne-signed the bill, Bowles, former national OPA administrator, said its passage was "particularly heartening since it comes at a time when a stubborn group of reactionary legislators in the Con-gress of the United States is waging a violent war against Civil rights victories are President Truman's civil rightscropping up in many areas of

-Year-Old Man Conn.

ORWALK, Conn. (NNPA)-

Indiana Outlaws Dual School Plan

MINN. TO ACT

's, Mushroom in State Assemblies

the nation. Leading the field are New Jersey and Connecticut which scored real wins for democracy last week.

In the New England section Gov. Chester Bowles signed a measure which prohibited racial segregation in Connecticut's National Guard.

On the same day, the New Jer doubtfuls into the "yes" column. sey Assembly voted in favor of a Below the Mason-Dixon line, bill which bars racial bias inthe Maryland transportation bias hotels, bars, theatres, on beaches law is again in the linelight. The boardwalks, restaurants, swim Maryland Senrte has passed a ming pools, gymnasiums and measure outlawing jim crow bowling places.

The boardwalks are staurants and measure outlawing jim crow bowling places. Wash., Ore. in Line fore the House with a reported Last week, the Washington State fifty-fifty chance of passage.

Legislature in Seattle adopted a

Exemptions Listed

Employers of fewer than five Jersey previously amended her persons, charitable social, fra-constitution to prohibit segregaternal, educations religious tion in the National Guard.

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Schrider on S, signed a passage by the Connecticut legislature was voiced by Walter White, Indiana public to kindergartens, grade and junior high schools at the start of the fall term.

Bowles Laudeu

Gratification at the unanimous passage by the Connecticut legislature was voiced by Walter White, NAACP executive secretary.

"Other States and indeed the Congress of the United States are could well profit from the example

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continued for the National Guard group of reactionary legislators in
of Connecticut where segregation the U.S. Congress is waging a viohas been banned. FEPC's Mushroom

On the economic side, FEPC "I hope that some of the North-bills are being pushed and have ern Senators who are supporting good chance of passage in New the Dixiecrats in this fight will Mexico, Washington, Illinois, Ohio heed the meaning of what we have are before the State legislatures thould be a warning to them." in Pennsylvania, Indiana, Michigan, West Virginia, Iowa, Rhode Island, Delaware and Nebraska.

A vote is expected to be taken this week by the Ohio House on its FEPC bill. A caucus of the House last Tuesday revealed that the proposal had a good chance of enactment. Gov. Frank Lausche and majority members have agreed to three proposed changes which is expected to draw a few Other Human Rights

Legislature in Seattle adopted state Fair Employment Practices Act. The bill establishes a Wash ington State Board Against Discrimination in Employment.

In Salem, on Saturday, the Oregin and one to require human gon Legislature passed a fair employment practice bill. Previously ployment practice bill. Previously the House chalked up a 53-4 vote in its favor. Gov. Douglas McKay is expected to give it his signature. This legislation establishes maximum penalties of \$500 fine or a sought to enlist in the 242nd Anti-

imum penalties of \$500 fine or a sought to enlist in the 242nd Antiyear's imprisonment for employers, Aircraft Unit in Conecticut immelabor unions or employment agen-diately after the new policy went cies discriminating against a per into effect. Connecticut is the son because of his race or religion, second State in the nation to defy the Army's jim crow policy. New

could well profit from the example

the start of the fall term.

1954 Deadline

By September, 1950 these grades declared Mr. White.

Terming the action a "tremendous step forward," he commended Governor Bowles "for his Gov. Luther Youngdahl is expected to issue an executive order outlawing segregation in the Naperticular order of last year was revoked by body blow organist racial discrimination of Army Kenneth C. Royall.

However, it seems as if Secretary Royall has changed his atti-

lent war against President Tru-man's civil rights program.

and Oregon. Such measures also accomplished in Connecticut. It

JIM CROW AND THE GUARD

An executive order does not always accomplish the results which it had seemed to promise. For instance, Governor Bradford obviously felt that discrimination in the Massachusetts National Guard would end when he issued his directive that guard ranks be opened freely to all qualified appricants regardless of skin-color, creed or ancestry. But a Jim Crow policy persisted. High military officials readily found an excuse to block the Governor's good intentions, It will have to be admitted, however, that the executive order was frail and foredoomed to failure because it allowed continuance of the separate all-colored gangations and private citizens unit now known as the 272nd Field Artillery Battalion, last week registered their sup-sors produced letters from Fed in which colored enlistments are with headquarters in Boston. The existence of the segre-bill alread to be be be been some allowed, is maintained accordgated body aids and abets the practice of color discrim-in the Massachusetts National ination, as was made clear at the State House hearing on Guard the bill to ban segregation in the State National Guard. The hearing on the anti Testifying at that hearing Fair Employment Practices segregation bill, introduced by Army, in line with its new polar declared: "Army Secretary Roy-Commissioner Elwood S. McKenney declared that when the American Veterans Commitity, in line with its new pol-Commissioner Elwood S. McKenney declared that when tee of Massachusetts (AVC), was states to determine their Guard colored youth anywhere in the state apply to local national held before the Committee on segregation policy, has hastened guard units they are referred to Boston. Continuing he military Affairs and Public Safe to give its approval. This has said, "Colored youth in Massachusetts are denied equalty, of which Representative Vin-been true with respect to New opportunity to discharge the military obligations of pat-cent Mannering is chairman. Jersey, Connecticut, New York riotic Americans by the established policy of segregation agent for the American Veter and Minnesota, all of which in the National Guard."

State House was issued banning discrimination in the state house was issued balling discrimination in the first states to enact a fair em-Guard, the Massachusetts Gennational guard. That the order would fail of its announced playment process. national guard. That the order would fail of its announced ployment practices law, and weeral Court must now decide purpose was clearly forecast by this column. In the same believe that it will join such whether Massachusetts will go month this department charged that the continuance of states as New Jersey, Connecticalong with its Northern neighthe segregated unit would nullify the anti-discrimination cut, New York and Minnesota, bors or remain behind with the policy that was sought by the State House order. "Their terminating the undemocrat-Southern states on this matter." existence of the all-colored unit will stimulate the manu-ic policy of discrimination in the Colored youth in Massachufacture of cunning pertexts to direct national guard ap National Guard. plicants of color to 'your own' outfit"; and that is just what Massachusetts, where publicligations of patriotic Americans has happened. And it always results that way whenever policy and the law prohibit by the established policy of and wherever there is a segregated public institution.

To wipe out discrimination in the state national guard demands the immediate and complete disbanding of the and forbid it in its military es-McKenney declared at the State 272nd Artillery Battalion. Massachusetts wants no Jimtablishment. By so doing, the House hearing. Crowism.

similar bill there, but was debill aimed to ban segregation eral objection to the bill.

ans Committee (AVC),

have ended segregation. Since said states are now free to maintain It was in November, 1947, that the order from the "Massachuusetts was one of the segregated or an unsegregated

> "It is AVC's contention that inity to discharge the military obracial segregation or discrimina segregation in the National ion in civilian fields, the State Guard," Fair Employment Pracshould adopt a consistent policy tices Commissioner Elwood S. people of this Commonwealth Continuing he said, "Enlist-

> would not be going counter to ments of colored youth, regardannounced federal policy but less of the city or town in which would, on the contrary, be aid- they live, are restricted to a ing in the realization of a na-single, segregated unit in Bostional program for the gradual ton-372nd Field Artillery Batelimination of unjust segrega-talion. In Springfield, New Bedtion in our democratic society." ford, Fall River, Lynn and Wor-Replying to a reported state- cester when colored young men ment by Gen. Edward D. Sirois apply to local National Guard that "national policy is to blame units, they are referred to Bosfor the segregation of colored ton.

men in the Massachusetts Na- "The plain fact appears to be tional Guard," Peabody said: that there is not one National

on the basis of color in the whole Commonwealth of Massachusetts, a leader of states to which the entire nation has looked for inspiration in broadening the field of civil and human rights. Even the unit in molished when legislative spon-Boston, the only one apparently ing to a senseless, traditional policy of segregation which theg "Every time that a Northern United States Army, itself, is state has acted to end segregashowing evidence of discarding." tion the Department of the

all said that State wishes in the matter of segregation policy will be recognized by the federal department. And federal authorities have intimated more than once that they would like to see the states take the initiative in liberalizing the system.

"Toleration, of course, cannot be legislated, any more than morals can. Ideally, reform should originate spontaneously from within the guard units themselves. But this is, perhaps, too much to expect. Exberiments during the war demconstrated that troops which had actual experience with nonsegregated units were vastly more tolerant than those which had no such touchstone. Reform has to start somewhere. "New Jersey, Connecticut, and

New York have already taken the step of legislating racial equality in their militia organizations. We should like to see Massachusetts go along on this reform as it has on the estab lishment of a state air Employment Practice Commission. Such legislation reflects the most & enlightened tradition of the Northern states and should win ready compliance here. It is the best posible response to those who think all reform must orig- 3 inate in Washington.

"The American Veterans Com-B mittee deserves credit for spon-o "This argument was made in Guard unit without some re- soring this measure. But the

inctance of any forward steps toward an integrated service.

"The Army has retrained from ordering southern states to ban their present clicy of segregation in guard units." This fact, advanced reabody, was due to the strong states rights feeling within the army itself.

Mass. House Bans

Proced with a roll-call vote, the Mass and approved an outright ban on segregation in the National Guard. The lower branch on a standing vote Wednesday had adopted a modified bill which applied Chrisofar as such a solicy does not interfere with the proper and efficient functioning of the militia."

The reversal came on a 147-45 vote, when Rep. Harold Putnam, (Rep. of Needham,) pressed for an amendment making the segregation ban mandatory, rather than permissive. The bill now goes to the Senate.

CHICAGO Governor Adams and Market Marional Guard and Navy militia 1913 Vet.

all units and departments of the In State Guard The law bans discrimination in Illinois National Guard because of July 3-15-154 SPECIAL race, creed or color. It bans dis-MILWAUKEE, WIS-I SPECIAL crimination in enlistment in any Farther Claude, H. neithaus, S. J. reasons.

TO ENFORCE CODE

Representative Jenkins told The Courier last Tuesday that he felt Gov. Adlai Stevenson as commander-in-chief of the state militia would see that the non-discrimina-

would see that the non-discriminatory code would be enforced.

He said that the morale of colored government, which has a statute youth would be raised to a high forbidding race discrimination, uses level by this move and induce more its authority to enforce stargeation. enlistments from the ranks of eager "The fact is," according to the military-minded youngsters. He priest, "that as far as the National forther than the table to the more code Guald is conserved. the guard being compelled to travel the state of Wisconsin. from distant points to Chicago. Father Heithaus points out that where they could join the 178th at the present time no Negro can combat team, an all-Negro outfit, enter the Wisconsin State Guard, tions would not accept them.

was presented immediately after deprives Negroes of very substantial benefits," the priest continues. a vote of 47 to 0 in the Senate and Men who enlist in the National

MORE OPPORTUNITY

vantage of the new law."

National Guard in time of peace."

Smykal said however, enlistments

Terming this discrimination "a

would be taken without regard to scandalous injustice." Father Heiproviding vacancies exist.

WANTED ALL-NEGROES

He said further that Negro leaders had told him they preferred that the guard maintain its all-Negro/combat team unchanged.

Meanwhile, the first experiment, at mixing the billets of white and Negro troops at this camp was proceeding satisfactorily.

Lieut. Col. Homer R. Lewis of .6741 Langley Avenue, commander of the all-Negro 954th Field Artillery of the Organized Reserve Corps, said his men are fitting into the life of the various barracks without incident.

CHICAGO GOVERNOT Ad-ILLINOIS BECOMES 4TH STATE

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The imendment, written the the Priest Concerns old code, was sponsored by Representative Charles Jenkins (R.) of Discrimination

unit of the guard for any of these faculty member at Marquette University, has pointed out in a vigorous address here that race dis-

stated further that the new codeGuald is concerned, not even Georwould eliminate inconveniences gia or Alabama do a more thorough caused by colored prospects for job of Jim Crowing Negroes than

ecause other downstate organiza-in spite of the fact that Negro taxions would not accept them.

payers are compelled to contribute to the State Guard's support.

The Courier learned that the bill to the State Guard's support.

"Exclusion from the State Guard."

Guard are paid about \$175 a year. That sum would help many a Negro Major General Richard Smykal to get a higher education. In the of the Illinois National Guard, National Guard one also secures Thirty-third Division, contacted by training and rank which prove very newsmen at Camp McCoy; said advantageous in time of war. Thus, "Negro troops have more oppor- in the last two wars, there were tunities for advancement under the numerous majors and colonels who old system of segregation. 'I doubt would not have been majors or cothat many will want to take ad-lonels if they had not served in the

race, color or creed, and that each thaus insists that all segregation man will have his choice of units, based upon skin color is an insult to a man's innate dignity as a child tes justice by defam-It gives bad example this state when it is

ne state government orted institution such

Minnesota Governor Issues Order Opening Nat'l Guard Equality Of Opportunity to membership in the National units in any State without its ex

And Treatment Decreed

By Luther Youngdahl

ST. PAUL, Minn. - (NNPA) -Governor Luther W. Youngdahl last Tuesday issued an executive order opening enlistment in the Minne-sota National Guard to colored men for the first time in the State's his-

tory.

Brigadier General Jeseph Nelson, Adjutant General; Bully Williams, executive assistant to the Governor's Interracial Commission; Major Saintel L Bensom of the Governor's Interracial Commission, and Clifford Rucker, informational Gen. Leo M. Boyle, adjutant general at the direction of Gov. Stevenson nere last week. The organization of the governor signed the order decreeing: signed the order decreeing:

"There shall be equal by of opportunity and treatment for an including Negro citizens who shall serve in gation and no discrimination in active military and navagores of the cepting enlistments because of race, state without segregation into separ- creed, or color. No one shall be

Later, announcement of the signing of the executive order was made at the all-day annual conference of the Minneapolis Council on Human is the responsibility of the com-Relations at the Hotel Nicollet. 3 OTHERS INTEGRATE

General Nelson said New Jersey, Connecticut and Wisconsin, so far as he knows, are the only states where colored men have been integrated into the National Guard.

A year ago the Army Department authorized the activation of a colored unit of the Minnesota National Guard, but colored leaders and Governor Youngdahl refused to organize such a unit on the ground that it still involved racial segre-

tioned Congress to ban race segre-gation and discrimination in the National Guard, and recently Gov-ernor Youngdahl notified the Na-he will end racial bars in the tional Guard Bureau in Washington Minnesota National Guard by of his intention to issue the order an Executive Order on Nov. 22. opening the State's National Guard The National Guard Bureau in to colored enlistments.

"Minnesota Negro citizens, in acthe activation of a colored unit in
cordance with our philosophy of
justice and fair play, merit the right
they are not to be enrolled in white

id in the order.

SPRINGFIELD ity with a law passed by the last

denied enlistment, re-enlistment or commissioning, or be segregated, because of race, color or creed."

Boyle's announcement added, "It manders at all levels to insure that this directive is given full effect with their respective commands."

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The State Legislature later peti-Gov. Luther W. Youngoam has

Washington has never authorized

Guard without the humiliation of press permission. segregation," Governor Youngdahl Top Chiefe Top Chiefs Notified

Governor Youngdahl has sent letters to Secretary of the Army Gortion Gray and Secretary of the Air Force W. Stuart Symington, with a copy to General Kenneth F Cramer, chief of the National Guard Bureau, notifying them of his proposed step.

The Governor noted that the

1949 State Legislature presed resolution calling on Congress t end segregation and discrimination in the a med services, a "clear-cut evidence of the desire of our people to integrate colored men

"I believe also that, in view of this resolution by the Legislature, the Chief Executive as Commanderin-Chief of the National Guar Minnesotz, has the author duty to eliminate segre from with-out further delay. "Consequently, is my inten-

tion to issue an executive order on Nov. 22 which will permit such integration. I feel you should be informed of this proposed step in case it requires certain action on your part at the national level."

Minnesota's Forthright Governor

OVERNOR Luther W. Youngdahl is the several states cannot do the same thing in the National Guard. to be congratulated for his stand It is our view that a great deal more against jim crowism in the National Guard progress could have been made in this di-

of his state on an integrated basis, in ac-tive representing one state but his action cordance with the 1949 resolution of the demonstrates what the others could do it Minnesota Legislature calling upon Con they had a mind to do it. gress to end such discrimination as had existed.

Although the secretaries of the Army and the Air Force, along with the chief of the National Guard Bureau have pussyfooted on this question, Governor Youngdahl is going ahead with his plan to end the

He thus takes his position with the Governors of New Jersey and Connecticut.

So we have three down and forty-five to go.

This brings up the question of the State of New York which has skirted the issue and its Governor Thomas E. Dewey who has uttered many weasel words about the abolition of segregation based on color in the state's National Guard.

New York has the reputation of being a liberal state, much more in theory than either New Jersey or Connecticut, but so far it has fallen short of their stand or that of Minnesota.

Pennsylvania and Illinois and Ohio are other states which have liberal traditions fall short of liberal practices.

They have National Guard organizations but these are jim-crow organizations, and so far they have given no indication that they will follow the lead of Minnesota, New Jersey and Connecticut. California seems equally adamant.

We shall not expect anything from the Southern states for some years in these connections but the Northern, Eastern and Western states have far less excuse for continuing exclusion and jim crowism in their National Guard organizations which are supported by the taxpayers of all colors.

If the Army Air Force and the Navy can mix Negroes and whites in their organizations, there is no sound reason why

Governor Youngdahl has stated that he love the Negro had insisted upon it, and vill issue an executive order on Nov. 22 ity had concentrated upon it.

admitting Negroes to the National Guard Governor Youngdahl is only one execu-

York Kids Its Negroes

Northern States and communities giving lip service to democracy and token evidences of fair play is growing in popularity among those who would est segregation and have it too

latest example is the www passed last week by the New York State Legislature and which will undoubtedly be signed

by Governor law is supposed to end racial segregation in the New York State Nation- two Jim Crow units of the New many white veterans do you feel segregation in the New York State National Guard, the 369th are going to voluntarily go up to al Guard in which 1,500 Negroes are in AAA Battalion, in Harlem, com-Harlem or invade the Bedford-Stuyseparate units but it is so full of weasel manded by Colonel Chauncey Hoop- vesant area of Brooklyn to join a pt to the lest state tradition in elimiwords and escape clauses that the net ef- er, and the 176th Military Police colored guard unit when the more nating segregation from the New York feet will be to leave things about as they Battalion, in Brooklyn, commanded favored and better equipped white National Guard without any ifs, ands

One of these escape clauses stipulates that changes be made "without impairing the efficiency or morale of the militia."

It is practically a license for the Guard race in the New York National units to preserve their racial exclusionist Guard. The bill will soon be laid That is true under the new legislapolicies which follow closely those of the before Governor Thomas E. Dewey tion, but can you imagine a colored U. S. armed forces.

It happens that the membership rules of the more important National Guard units in New York State (and perhaps elsewhere) require that new me "bers be "elected" fol- versial question; What will happen tenants for the position of comlowing approval by the membership, or that applicants be satisfactory to the command-

ing officers. In other words, the National Guard units can establish any qualifications they choose in the interest of what they construe

to be efficiency and morale.

Moreover, some units can and will continue as in the past to recruit new members through old members or former members, which means that few if any Negro applicants will be accepted despite the law against segregation.

Interestingly enough, this bill as originally introduced by a Bronx Jewish Senator, Harold I. Panken, would have completely outlawed secregation without any weasel words, but it was emasculated in deference to the prejudices of the Guard

So, the Negroes are being kidded into thinking that the passage of this law marks some kind of new day in race relations in New York State whereas it is just a gesture desimed to still protests and snare votes.

It is not nearly as far-reaching as similar measures recently enacted in New Jerlar measures recently enacted in New Jeryears ago which provided for the to command white troops could be should adopt the amended New York
years ago which provided for the to command white troops could be State bill without a dissenting voice.

sev and Connecticut, but nevertheless it will ment." If this "colored regiment" lenged. What better way can we segregation Now Illegal
or any of its descendants exist after prepare for such a challenge than

Sees Abolition Of

many may take exception.

At the present time there are by Captain Lewis Flagg, 3d.

which, when it becomes a law, would

The new legislation raises what Guard when the law is passed?

This column takes the position that the new law should wipe out both the 369th and the 176th.

I am not alone in my opinion but there is much opposition on the

are taking the position that the new officers will do the same thing. out the two units, but that it is York Guard, simply drawn up to open them up

egislation was passed.

ing what it was designed to do-Guard? abolish segregation.

the new legislation would open the signed today colored units to white men they developed the appropriate the could no longer be classed as Jim with the confiner could no longer be classed as Jim State military units to adopt column, Joe, to which Crow units because white men could antisegregation join them "if they wanted to."

I say this is tommyrot. How

and it is generally conceded that he lieutenant commanding a company to the two Jim Crow units of the tenants for the position of com-expected. manding officer? I cant. SMUG POSITIONS

This column submits that this is plain, pure and simple politics to keep colored officers of the guard in the favored and commanding positions which they now occupy by virtue of the Jim Crow regulations observed by the guard until the part of the guard of the guard until the part of the guard until the guard until the part of the guard until the gu

or any of its descendants exist after prepare for such a challenge than the new legislation becomes law, having colored officers lead white then I say the new law is not do-and colored men in the National ALBANY N April 12—(AP)—

The new legislation is specifically

designed to prohibit segregation in the New York National Guard. When it becomes a law, it should do just that even if a couple of colored field grade officers have to get out and do a little soldiering!

Antisegregation Bill Signed.

Albany Nov April 12 (
Legislation to pap segregation The opposition argues that since other State military unit

GAINST SEGREGATION guard units are open to them. A or buts. There was little excuse for A few days ago the New York few, maybe, but a very small few.

State Legislature passed a bill Others argue that colored men ir the New York Guard dependent on winell, when it becomes a law, would wipe out segregation because of the Jim Crow units are free to join adoption of a similar program in the other guard units if they so desire. United States Army, Navy and Air in one of the Jim Crow units (and the Panken Bil when it adopted that thereby living the life of Riley) measure unanimously ten days ago, is quitting his organization and join-expected to accept the amended Ashas already become a very contro- ing a white company where he will sembly version next week and Gov-

It is the stated policy of the Depart-The result is that if the policy of ment of National Defense to eliminate "letting the men" choose is followed segregation entirely from the Army in with regard to the Jim Crow units due course. The Navy and the Air the majority of the officers in these Force already have broken down traunits will remain where they are, ditional racial barriers. The Army, The two commanding officers of smug in their position, and protect-with many posts in the South, has a state legislators who passed the bill majority of the non-commissioned more difficult problem. It believes reform will be more lasting and more legislation is not designed to wipe the two units but that it is duce a healthy situation in the New ally, without a head-on collision with to white men and to open up the Many of the officers and men in is present in New York State. To have colored many lily-white units of the guard for these units are able and qualified framed the ban in what was accu-

Think what it would mean, to cut set a good example for all Northobserved by the guard until the new have Colonel Hooper commanding ern states when its Legislature last a battalion of 500 white men and week unanimously adopted, and Gov. To begin with these organizations 200 colored men! If his unit would Chester Bowles promptly signed, a cannot be termed anything else but then suddenly be called up as a part measure of this kind. It would be Jim Crow units no matter how one of the Army in the event of a na- heartening if our own State Assembly, signed to still protests and snare votes, stretches his imagination. They tional emergency, the Army's prac- on final action, and then the Senate, it is not nearly as far-reaching as simi- were set up under a law passed tice of not permitting colored men should adopt the amended New York



By Jesse H. Walker

be considered as a reason for York National Guard." rejection." + .1 \- 24 -49

A Negro may now enlist in any unit he likes providing he passes the physical and mental qualifications. His promotions and opportunities for commissions also cannot be rejected because of race.

The orders were signed by Brigadier General Hampton Anderson, Acting Chief of Staff of the N.Y. National Guard. They followed a curcular issued Nov. 15 from the offices of the State Division of Military and Naval Affairs of Gov. Dewey's Executive Staff and signed by Major General Karl F. Hausauer, Chief of Staff.

Last April Gov. Dewey approved an act passed by the State Legislature which amended the State Military Law. The act was pushed through both houses of the legislature through the efforts of Assemblyman and State Senators representing Harlem and with the cooperation of both parties. The action taken last week, however, was the first move taken to integrate Negroes and other minorities into the National Guard.

Three other states besides New York - New Jersey, Connecticut, and Minnesota - also have enacted recent laws which abolish discrimination in the National Guard.

Prior to last week's orders Negroes who wished to join the National Guard in New York City could only enlist in outfits stationed at one of two armories. These armories were the one known as the 369th, located at 2366 Fifth Ave. and another located in Brooklyn at 357 Sumner

Ironically, the Brooklyn armory harbored a headquarters group which was made up of white soldiers while the headquarters battalion was a Negro unit.

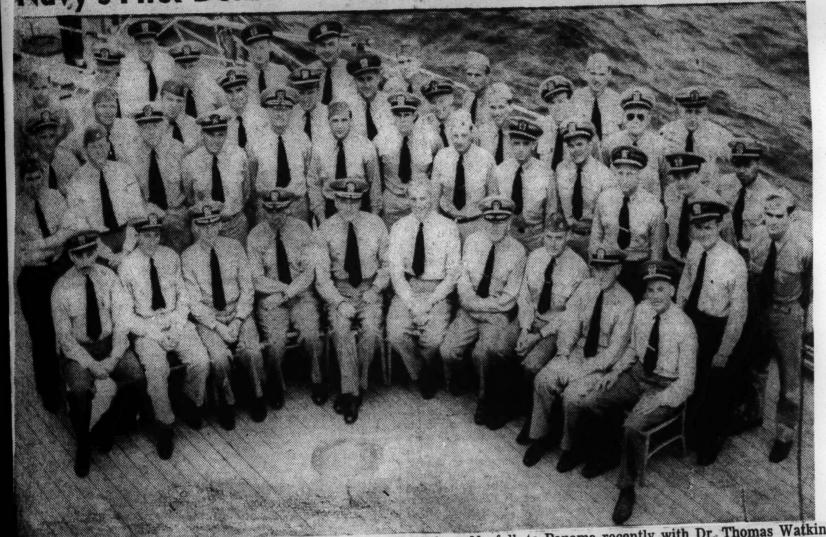
The General Orders which effected the change in the National Guard policy read as follows:

"Pursuant to Circular Number 16, Office of the Chief of Staff, Executive Department, Division of Military and Naval Affairs, State Jim Crow National Guard of New York, dated 15 November, units in New York State may 1949, the race, creed, color or nawell pass out of the picture tional origin of applicants shall in the future with the issu-not be considered as a reason for ance last Wednesday of Gen-rejection in determining their eral Orders which stated that qualifications to fill existing va-eral Orders which stated that qualifications to fill existing va-cancles for enlistment, appoint-ment, commission or promotion in origin of applicants shall not all army and air units of the New 30f 1949
COV. WAKREN MAKES GUARD
OTEGRATION BILL A LAW
SAN FRANCISCO — (ANP)—
Gov. Earl Warren einted the measure he allesday and made into a raw the Bill against discimination of account of race, religion of national origin, in the State National Guard.

Civilian Guests and Newsmen On Naval Training Cruise



lavy's First Dental Officer Aboard Battleship Missouri



First published picture of Naval Reserve officers who cruised from Norfolk to Panama recently with Dr. Thomas Watkins

It (arrow) first colored dental officer in the Navy, aboard. The vessel is the Battleship Missouri.

THE NAVY PROGRAM to improve conditions of New Flying Experience

Negro servicemen is already in operation, we have learned.

Negro chief stewards are how supposed to have chief petty officer ratings allower the service, stewards who petty officer ratings allower the service, stewards who have not been given the authority and responsibility of

nave not been given the authority and responsibility of petty officers are invited to notify this reporter. 200 of twenty five Negro Maria Reserve officers, who have been invited to return to active duty in the Navy in order to help recruit young Negroes and to balance in order to help reprotein, twenty-four have accepted. thirty-five Negro officers instead of the eleven now on duty.

Guide Editor Takes Flight

By P. BERNARD YOUNG, JR. Editor, Journal and Guide

USS MISSOURI AT SEA-By Navy Radio-While nearly low-green dye colors the water a thousand miles from the shores of France, Wednesday, I flew so you can be seen from a in a helicopter from the aft deck of this mightiest of battleships: earching aircraft—in case."

The peculiar looking aircraft both hands,

with a banana shaped fuselage and both but no wings can outmaneuver eyes, took off

anything but humming bird. The pilot. who works harder than airplane with pilots both feet.



by first going straight up, MR. YOUNG then forward and up, and straight awayalmost always with an at-first disconcerting nose-down attitude of the cockpit.
Later, he hovered just off the

Missouri and other ships of the task force so Melvin Payne, National Geographic photographer, and I could make pictures. Then he zoomed off the the "wild blue ter (only the was gray and blustery) at speeds up to seventy knots.

ZIG-ZAG ROUTE

Before our Hight was completed he had gone up to 300 feet, down to within 20 feet of the angry white caps, sideways backwards, and forward.

Then he shot around the Missouri, got the green flag signa olkaying a landing, and came if toward the stern from the star board to sit the helicopter down on a space that now looked the

size of an undernourished pan-cake.

The upon he brought the craft over the fattall, hovered there by flying sideways about 15 knots to match the forward speed of the task force battleship; and made a perfect threepoint landing that wouldn't have

harmed a baby's skin.
I saw it done. I was a copter passenger when it was done. I still don't believe it can be done

FLIGHT PREPARATION

Our helicopter pilot was Ensign D. L. Williams. Before takeoff another pilot, Lt. A. Close, brought a paper to be signed releasing Uncle Samuel from any liability in case the familiarization flight ended unfavorably for his nepnews.

Next, they fitted me into one of the famous Mae Wests, a life jacket inflated by carbon dioxide bullets of the type used on seltzer bottles. The jacket, of course, was different from any I'd ever used on transocean flights: This one had no belly and straps to go around thighs and under the crotch.

"These," said the petty officer helping me, "are dyemarkers. Pull the release cord and a yel-

First To Become A Navy Air Force Pilot



QUONSET POINT, R. L.-Mid-1305 Q st. nw., is one of 18 memfirst Negro pilot in the history June 3 to be selected for the Navy's now in flight training at the civil engineer corps. He will study

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In addition to Midshipman Brown, there are two other Negro midshipmen at the Academy now

Both are in their first year.

Annapolis Slates His Graduation Washington Gost



MIDSHIPMAN WESLEY A. BROWN

COMMISSIONED NAVAL AVIATOR aboard the aircraft. Leyte at sea recently was Ensign Jesse Leroy Bowing US gro to achieve this post. He is the son Mr, and Mr. Route 1, Hattlesburg, Miss. Photo shows Ensign brown commission from Capt William L. Erdmann, the carrier, while his Squadron Commander

order to attend high school. After and received his pilot's wings in graduation he entered Ohio State 1948. University, where he waited table in campus fraternity and sorority borne Electronics School, Norfolk, houses. He also was a laborer Va., he was assigned to the Navy with the Pennsylvania Railroad

First Negro to receive a commis- After completing his second year sion as a Naval aviator is Ens. at Ohio State, Brown was ordered. esse Leroy Brown, USN, son ofto duty as a seaman apprentice, Mr. and Mrs. John Brown of Route Naval Reserve, at the Naval Air 1, Hattiesburg, Miss., who recently Station, Glenview, Ill. While in received his commission aboard the preflight trianing, Ens. Brown was aircraft farrier USS Leyte, at sea appointed a medship in the United States Navy and was sent The foad to commissioning was to the Naval Air Station, Pensacola, not an easy one for Ens. Brown. Fla. to complete his training. Or-Born in 1926 in Hattiesburg, Miss., dered to the Naval Air Station, it was necessary for him to work Jacksonville, Fla. for advanced and nights as a waiter in a night club operational training in the F6F and during summer vacations on the Grumman "Helicat" fighter plane, family tenant farm, or at such odd he qualified as a carrier pilot on jobs as laundry truck driver in the aircraft carrier USS Wright

FINALLY COMES THROUGH

sad commentary upon America's so-called de mocracy that it has become necessary to call attention to the graduation last week of Ensign Wesley A. Brown from the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis.

The news and picture services of the nation, the news reels, television and radio have made much over the gradua tion of this 22-year-old Washington young man from a service school.

The reason? Ensign Brown is colored and is the first of

his race to be graduated in the 104-year-old history of the Academy.

There were 790 members of this year's graduating class but young Brown was the only one to hold a pre-graduation "press conference" to which reporters from the daily and weekly press were invited.

Said young Brown:

It's too bad the American people haven't matured enough to accept a person on the basis of his ability and not regard him as an oddity because he is colored.

My class standing shows that around here I am just an average Joe. There's no reason at all why I should be giving a press

I hope that by having this (press) conference the fellows who come after me will be spared what I'm going through. As far back as 1872, when John H. Conyers of South Carolina was appointed, and at intervals ever since, there have been attempts to break the color bar at Annapolis.

The fact that Ensign Brown is the first to break down this traditional barrier, made his graduation significant and

made of him, as he put it, "an oddity."

It has been ever thus with pioneers, regardless of race. Those who follow young Brown may not be the objects of as much special treatment as this. As time goes on, such incidents will become more and more commonplace.

Newspapers, national organizations and local groups have been fighting for over 50 years to get a colored youth through Annapolis. Ensign Brown would never have entered Annapolis had it not been for this sustained campaign for representation. He could not have remained there but for their prayers, counsel and personal intercession.

He should be forever mindful of the obligation that he has and accept the fact that in his graduation, he becomes a symbol of victor of which all of us are proud and like to talk about.

He can no more live in a vacuum than can Jackie Robinson or Larry Doby, who are beseiged at every turn for auto graphs and who elicit applause by their diamond perform-

Ensign Brown will have to take a page from the book of these athletes and learn how to carry his newly acquired publicity gracefully. Upon his shoulders he carries the hopes and aspirations of his race.

And, by the way, the Naval Academy is just catching up, 72 years late with its sister school at West Point. The first graduate the W.S. Military Academy was Henry O. Flipper of Georgia, who was graduated in 1877.

WASHINGTON NEGRO STUDENT IS FIRST OF RACC

ANNAPOLIS NAVAL GOMMISSION

ANNAPOLIS NI, June 34 (Special)—As Negro students gree. They are then commissione continue to mount the ladder of nigher educational successes, Lieutenant in the Marine Corps. a dispatch reaches the Negro press telling that Wesley Brown, 22-year-old Negro cadet at the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, graduates there this week.

Annapolis (Brown)

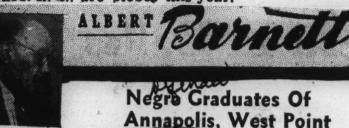
Graduating from the anademy will mark the historic event of Brown's being the first Negro cadet to finish from that institution inits age-long history. Three others tried it before but never fininshed. One resigned 12 years ago because he "felt out of place" in the academy. But Brown said, in an interview last Friday, that he really enjoyed his four years as a midshipman, except for the publicity, which he termed-"a had angle."

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THIS Column has received several requests for information concerning the status—past and present—of Negroes at the U. S. Military Academy (West Point), and at the U. S. Naval Academy (Annapolis).

So far as the Naval Academy is concerned the questions are timely and of interest, because history—as far as the Race is

concerned-was made on June 3, this year, when Wesley Anthony Brown became the first Negro to graduate from Annapolis # . and given the rank of Ensign

Ensign Brown is a resident of Washington, D. C., and a graduate of Dunbar High school there. Because of his technical ability and application to his work at the Academy, he is said to be slated for the title of Engineering Officer—as a specialist in

Ensign Brown's appointment to Annapolis by Manhattan's Congressman Adam Clayton PPowell was the opening wedge in breaking down the tradition of racial discrimination at the m famous naval training school. Two others have followed him and are now completing their freshman studies. They are Lawrence C. Chambers of the Capital City, appointed by Rep. William L. Dawson of Chicago's First District and Reaves R. Taylor of Providence, Rhode Island, appointed by Senator Theodore F. Green (white) of that state. Both students, as is customary, have the present rank of Midshipmen.

Annapolis candidates (students) are paid \$780 a year as midshipmen and upon graduation awarded Bachelor of Science degree. They are then commissioned as Ensign in the Navy or 2nd

A glance at the Academy record, as pertaining to Negroes, reveals that up to a decade ago, five colored candidates had been admitted. They were: John Henry Conyers of South Carolina, admitted in 1872, and resigned the same year; Alonzo C. McClellan, 20

to be paid by a trail-breaker. Hereafter, let Ensign Brown be considered strictly on ability and performance. Our country expects good deeds of him, and every other Annapolis graduate. Good luck!

Wesley Brown, Graduating Ensign, Says the Academy Treated Him Impartially

REALLY ENJOYED HIS STAY

Headed for Engineering Corps He Has Been the Counselor to Three White Plebes

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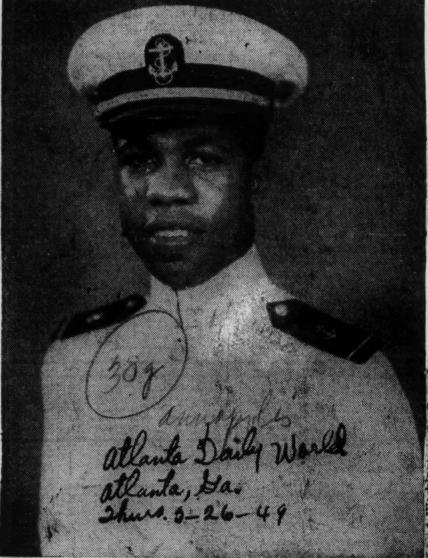
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ANNAPOLIS, Md. — Midship Green of Rhode Island.

nan Wesley Anthony Brown, of Call Me 'Sir' igton, D. C., will become the st Negro graduate of the United ates Naval Academy when he the his diplima in graduftion M. Friday, June 3.

He is the sixth Negro midship man enrolled at the Naval Acadeentered as Fourth Classmen (freshmen) last year.

A graduate of Dunbar High school, Washington, D. C., Midhipman Brown attended Howard University for one year prior to being appointed to the Academy Representative Adam Clayton Powell, Jr., of New York.

TO BOSTON SHIPYARD

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WEST POINT Military Academy graduates two more Negro officers next month. Easie Howard of D. C. and Charles Smith of St. Louis. But Annapelis Naval Academy steals the show on June 3rd when Midshipman Wesley Brown becomes an Ensign and the first colored American to graduate (five others tried).

Lt. Dennis Nelson of Navy's Press Information and incidentally its ranking Negro officer, deluged with requests for inman enrolled at the description of the standard of the first of the fi timate information on Brown, arranged a press conference for were on hand along with several boys from the daily papers. Midshipman Commandant Capt. Frank Ward offered to leave the room if it made Brown nervous to answer questions in his

presence, but started when Brown said it wouldn't make any difference.

White newsmen asked police questions and Brown explained he had chosen to be Naval Civil Engineer rather than Line Officer on a Ship. He has a year or so of graduate study before him before being assigned to some shore base. Finally colored newsmen, who knew the answers already, brought up the touchy He is one of eighteen member race stuff for benefit of the white newsmen and daily paper

Brown admitted if was a little fough at first but insisted he officers of the Navy. Following hi is now "just an average Joe around here." Officers and civilian graduation, he will be assigned to instructors have been fair and he stands about in middle of his duty at the Boston Naval Ship class in rating. He finds current publicity embarrassing and his yard for practical experience in the classmates kid him about being a "celeb." He hopes the two Ne-Public Works Department and then gro lads now in Plebe (Freshman) year will be spared being

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When Wesley was a plebe he felt a little conspicuous, 'like a new kid in school." The sensation gradually wore off.

Now he is a sort of big brother to three white plebes who live across the hall from his single room in Bancroft Hall.

"The officers, professors, and civilians here have been completely impartial," Wesley said.

Academically, he stands near the middle of his class. He was a versity cross-country runner and member of the midshipmen's German club.

Wesley is the son of Mrs. 2 Rosetta F. Brown, Washington. He was graduated from Dunbar High School in Washington before enlisting in the Army for a year of specialized training at Howard University.



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I fear were there even a Ne-copy-book days: "What man has gro admiral in the U. S. Navy done, man may do." That goes I wouldn't be impressed. I have for all "races." When American records of Negro admirals. In Negroes learn to coordinate the 1820's Russia had a Negro their interests more intelligently admiral, Ivan Hannibal. Russia and be able to make effective dealso had a Negro general con-mand on their Government for nected with her Navy in World what is due them as citizens, War I, Mikhail Egyptoes. He then "Negro Firsts" will lose was senior naval constructor of their. thrill. In the meantime the St. Petersburg Dockyard, this "Negro First," while encour-Islamic history also has records aging, highlights what should be of Negro admirals, as Sambal, done.

who defeated the Portuguese in several battles off the coast of India, when Islam dominated that land. Two other Negro admirals of that time were Masud and Ali Kasam.

WHEN ISLAM RULED the Mediterranean and North Atlantic there were also Negro commanders. Even the English once had a Negro naval captain; Perkin, in the 1810's. The United States had one Navy captain, who ran a small Confederate gunboat, "The Planter," into Union lines and was permitted to keep command of it.

In the Revolutionary War and War of 1812 Negroes served as pilots for both American and British. All in all, Negroes, especially in the South Seas, the African coasts, and the Caribbean, have a fine record of seamanship.

This reminds me of a statement in Ignatius Donnelly's "Atlantis," a best seller in the 1880's, Donnelly, in trying to account for Negroes in America before Columbus, especially as their faces appeared on ancient Mexi-

Goldsboro Youth Named To U. S. Naval Academy

GOLDSBORO, N. C.—Another Negro, William Isaac Lee, 19, of this city, and a freshman at Howard University, is expected to enroll at the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md., September, 1950.

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aces Get On Without

SAN ANTONIO, Texas - (SNS) The offense occurred according — Negro and white Air Force en-to the girl, o Fridly while she listees have completed ten weeks of was practising her plane lessons racial integration in complete harat a private school at 901 Newton mony Major General Charles W. st. ne. Lawrence, commanding general of the indoctrination division of the Air Force air training command.

The racial integration profram of the Air Force is independent with President Truman's directive which President Truman's directive which

ordered integration, racially, in the armed forces. All of the branches f the service have complied with President's request except the

ding to General Lawrence recruits at Lackland Air my in a body. The Lackland base the largest installation in the whole Air Force.

At this date, Lackland asserted

accomplished with complete har- transfer from an all-Negro outfit mony," General Lawrence stated. He to an all-white unit. Four attendsaid orders went through that on a ed a dance at the white Airmen's certain date all segregation between trainees would cease.

gregation was ended, General Lack- ming pool. and continued. No unpleasant incidents resulted and the white boys are getting along well together. And night by any means. The Negro of course the same applies to the who wants to transfer to white WAFS (members of the Women's units will not live with the whites, Air Force)."

are divided into flights of sixty, who stay where he is after his transare commanded by other enlistees fer, the colored said. who have proved their leadership.

Of the more than 26,000 persons based at Lackland many are Ne- attended the Cadet club they were groes. All air force recruits from all refused admittance at first by the

over the United States are senet hostess, Mrs. Mae O'Read, who here for basic training.

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Man Held for Jury For Molesting Girl, 8 jantor, of 1114 69th ave., Land-ver old, had field yesterday in Municipal Court for grand jury etio under \$2000 bond on a and indeednta libereight yearfold girl.

MAXWELL AIR FORCE BASE base here eat, sleep and Ala.—(ANP)—Down here at Maxwell Air Force base in the deep South, Negro airmen are taking advantage of the President's exhat the grouping together of he- ecutive order 9981 requiring equalgro and white personnel has not ity of opportunity for all men in caused any incidents of any nature. the armed forces of the United "The integration of the base was States. One man has requested club. Another group of 18 men "When that date arrived the se- swam at the white Cadet swim-

These incidents do not mean and the Negro boys in the training that the camp is changing over-Negroes are picked as leaders according to Col. Leslie G. Mulzer, as often as whites, and Negroes of-base commander. He lives off the ten lead the mixed flights. Trainees base now and would continue to

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rejected because they are found to mitted them. They looked over be unfit for the technical training the facilities of the club and stood on the sidelines and watched whites dance. After the Negroes entered the club, Mrs. O'Rear offered to send all girls who wanted to go home, and all but eight went.

The Negro club is not equal to the white club, but reportedly will be improved soon. Commenting on the colored men's conduct at

the white spot, Capt. Gillingham said:

"They conducted themselves as gentlemen."

The airmen who visited the white pool swam on a day the Negro pool was being inspected. The next day when it was open once more, they swam in it as usual.

Col. Mulzer in pointing out the policy of Maxwell Air Force Base said:

"Commanders of all echelons of the Air Force must insure that all personnel in their command are indoctrinated thoroughly with the necessity for unreserved acceptance of the privisions of this policy."

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tend high school, it was necessary ing training. for him to work nights as a waiter in a night club and during summer vacations on the family tenant farm or at such odd jobs as laundry truck driver. One summer he worked at Camp Shelby, Miss., as a laborer. After graduation he entered Ohio State University, only to find that he had to work twice as hard as he had in high school in order to meet expenses. He began by work ing in campus fraternity and sorority houses waiting on tables, but found his income insufficient and was forced to take a job as a laborer with the Pennsylvania Railroad loading boxcars.

ENROLLED IN CINCINNATI He first enrolled in the Navy V-5 program at Cincinnati, Ohio, and after completing his second year at Ohio State was ordered to duty as seaman apprentice, Naval Reserve at the Naval Air Station, Glenview, Ill. Transferred to the Naval Air Station, Ottumwa, Iowa in April. 1947, he began his pre-flight training While at Ottumwa, Ens., Brown was appointed a midshipman in the United States Navy and was sent to the Naval Air Station, Pensacola Florida to complete his training.
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Grumman "Hellcat" figher plane, he qualified as a carrier plane, the aircraft USS Wright and received his pllot's wings on October 21 1948.

After a brief course at the Airborne Electronics School, Norfolk

Va., he was assigned to the Navy's righting Equadron 32 and became a full-fledged carrier pilot.

REAT LAKES, Ill. — The first Negro aviator in the history of the Navy was commissioned this week aboard the USS Leyte at sea. Midshipman Jesse Leroy Brown received his commission aboard the aircraft carrier IISS Leyte, at sea.

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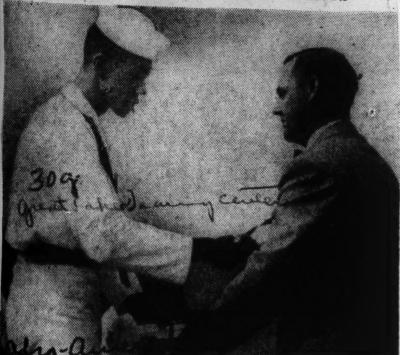
Segregated State Guard
SACRAMENTO Alert action on the part of Assembly men W. Byron Rumford and Augustus F. Hawkins resulted

men W. Byron Rumford and Augustus F. Hawkins resulted in an amendment to the resolution introduced in the State Assembly last Friday by the Hon. Richard H. McCollister, Mill Valley, to the effect that there be no discrimination or

segregation in the State Guard based on race, creed or national origin. Mr. McCollister's resolution was a memorial to Congress requesting that the control of state guards remain with the state. The resolution as amended was pages by a vote of 47-27.

Assemblyman Thomas W. Caldecott, representative from the 18th Assembly District, Berkeley, voted against the resolution, thereby upholding the status quo of segregated units. Caldecott's district includes Codornices Village where a large number of Negroes live. He received a prepondent vote from the village.

30g 1949 Honor Man at Great Lakes



George Smith, seaman apprentice, USN, son of George Smith of 137 Crawford St., Pittsburgh, receives an honogenet certificate and an engraved identification bracelet from from E. Gonther approxic Recine, Wis., who was guest of honor at a recent graduation review at the Yaval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

Great Lakes Training Center

son is prepared to approve enlisted personnel in the Navy are the intent" of President Truman's a stepped-up Navy policy assigned to the steward's branch executive order of last July 26 orwhich calls for a greater many reserve officers to active opportunity within the armed serventisted personnel throughout the extensive and realistic cadet reservice, the Defender learned aucruiting program will be launched "I am pleased to approve your producing to the second time the Designed to encourage Negro youth posals and trust that you will be the second time the Designed to encourage Negro youth posals and trust that you will be the second time the Designed to encourage Negro youth posals and trust that you will be the second time the Designed to encourage Negro youth posals and trust that you will be the second time the Designed to encourage Negro youth posals and trust that you will be the second time the Designed to encourage Negro youth posals and trust that you will be the second time the Designed to encourage Negro youth posals and trust that you will be the second time the Designed to encourage Negro youth posals and trust that you will be the second time the Designed to encourage Negro youth posals and trust that you will be the second time the Designed to encourage Negro youth posals and trust that you will be the second time the Designed to encourage Negro youth posals and trust that you will be the second time the Designed to encourage Negro youth posals and trust that you will be the second time the Designed to encourage Negro youth posals and trust that you will be the second time the Designed to encourage Negro youth posals and trust that you will be the second time the Designed to encourage Negro youth posals and trust that you will be the second time the Designed to encourage Negro youth posals and trust that you will be the second time the Designed to encourage Negro youth posals and trust that you will be the negro the Negro than the preserve the negro than the preserve that the preserve the negro th

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for its personnel but he rejected for and enlisted personnel of the Navy second for an and enlisted personnel of the Navy responsible army officials do not the Army.

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on Equality of Treatment and Opportunity in the Armed Forces. Dwight Palmer, also a member of the Committee, and with certain members of his Personnel Policy oard presumably to discuss the rmy's reluctance to implement

John Sengstacke is a member, will report to Mr. Truman this week on progress made in carrying out 4. his order, and it is reasoned that Secretary Johnson wants this re-sert to point up considerable gains.

The Navy plan for using Neero personnel was accepted by the Defense chief, it is said, after Navy 5. Change the status of chief officials advanced specific plans for increasing the number of Negro Navy officers and proposed as 6. Eliminate within the Marine signing Negro enlisted personnel Corps the present separate thoughout the service for general. duty. At present, only six Negro male officers are assigned to active Defender Washington Bureau) duty in the Regular Navy. Some

treatment and opportunity to JOHNSON APPROVES Mr. Johnson wrote that in spite legro soldiers under a policy of JOHNSON APPROVES Mr. Johnson wrote that in spite of "significant progress" and cerontinued racial segregation.

Secretary Johnson, reportedly, Later proposals "still fail to meet with a more acceptable plan latest proposals the basic intent" latest proposals the basic intent" than they have produced to date.

Twice within the past month the lhsure Equality, but He Again vised the Army

Rejects Army Program

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

make it impossible for them to Johnson, Secretary of Defense, appoint of its program, states:

policy. They argue that men of its intelligence level will not plan for assuring racial equality day conduct of affairs, officers are good combat soldiers.

The proposed policy directive of the Navy, contained in the first policy. They argue that men of plan for assuring racial equality day conduct of affairs, officers for its personnel but he rejected for and enlisted personnel of the Navy

Secretary Joanson conferred minorities. Leaf of Negative Relative Statement of Negative Statement petty officers to the recruiting service and ordering other Negroes to take part in recruitment activities, and emphasize through pictures and other media the fact that Negroes and white work together in the sery-

The Fahy Committee, of which 3. Increase efforts to attract qualified Negro students to particiified Negro students to participate in the Navy Reserve Officers Training program.

Issue a directive assuring that all members of the steward branch who are "in all respects

Integration

qualified" will receive an opportunity to change their branch. stewards to that of chief petty officers.

Corps the present separate Negro Recruit Training Facility and integrate it with the training of whites.

Mr. Johnson wrote to the Sec-WASHINGTON — De 65 are in the Navy Reserves and Mr. Johnson wrote to the Secretary Louis John More than 73 percent of Negro cific actions "meet the spirit and More than 73 percent of Negro cific actions "meet the spirit and the intent" of President Trumen's

latest proposals "still fail to meet the basic intent" of the President's

For guidance, Mr. Johnson advised the Army to study "very carefully" the suggestions of the President's Committee on Equality of Treatment and Opportunity in the Armed Forces.

in the lower intelligence brackets WASHINGTON, June 7—Louis the Navy, contained in the first

ONE COLORED MARINE OPRICIO TENDERS HIS RESIGNATION

Washington, D. O. (NNPA) The lone colored officer in the United Crutiny of President Truman's in a Navy V-12 college training at committee on Equality of Treat-Purdue university. A Temple uniment and Opportunity in the versity student prior to his enlistin Lawrence Sullivan, it was learned last Friday.

No action has yet been taken on the resignation, but Navy officials aid acceptance of such resignations is the usual practice.

the Quantico (Virginia) Marine Corps base where he is undergoing basic week and Lt. Rudder is still at the Marine corps. training.

Various reasons were given unofficially for Rudder's resignation, but the most logical is that he was unwilling to undergo the isolation to which he was subjected being the only colored officer in the Marine Corps.

One other reason given was that of the commission, which insulated the commission of five cluded Arthur Garfield Hays.

correspondent for the Chicago De-

although top military leaders were

ward discrimination "orders

Others who testified during the

court-martialed and jailed in 1943

for protesting abuse of Negro sol-

diers; Milton Sachs of the Wash-

ington Chapter of the American

Veterans Committee, who told the

commission of an instance in Ka-

who told of his experiences in

outh Pacific as an officer

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Defender Washington Bureau)

Lieutenant John Earl Rud-

der, 24, the first and only

Negro commissioned an or-

VASHINGTON Second

and Lieut. Patrick Mun

courses, and in the course in which counsel; Thurman L. Dodson, 307 he is being judged on ability, he is E st. nw., president of the National Bar Association; Joseph L. doing excellently, but in the courses Rauh, jr., national chairman of n which examinations are being Americans for Democratic Action, iven and the papers checked by and Henry Epstein, former New York State solicitor general. machine, he is below par.

This reason, standing alone, does last May, was told that these letnot appear sound inasmuch as Rud-ters had been superseded by a der is a graduate of Purdue Univer-1946 letter, but that Marine Comsity and had to be in the upper mandant Clifton B. Cates had detenth of his class to be admitted to clined an invitation to send a representative to appear before the

A third reason given is that Rud-commission to document the new der has become a religionist and Alfred E. Smith, Washington wants to be a Quaker.

The only cause he himself has fender, told the commission that given for resigning is "personal rea-showing a change of attitude to-

Rudder is the third colored man against Jim Crow were still not to be commissioned in the Marine mand."

Corps in the history of the organizaSmith presented to the commistion. In 1947 two men were com-sion "thousands of letters he said missioned at Quantico at the same he had received from Negro GIs time they were handed their com, who wrote him during the war. missions they were put in a reserve day-long session were Al Levy, who told the commission he was

to promotion, were offere ce of military segregation scrimination yesterday to mission of Inquiry into ime Treatment of Negro ters, signed by the then andant Thomas Holcomb, hat under no circumstances lored noncommissioned ontnumber or oturank nond noncommissioned officers widence was introduced at

st YMCA to members

ficer in the Regular U. S. Marine Corps reserve in May, 1943 farme Corps has submitted his and served overseas at Ellice Island resignation. This action, coming with the 51st Defense battalion. He a time when the Corps is under returned to the U.S. to participate ment and Opportunity in the versity student prior to his enlist-Armed Forces, landed like ament Branch received his second bombshol and military circles are lieutenant's commission on Novem-ber 10, 1945.

No action has been taken on Lt. Branch has the distinction of The officer, Lieut. John Rudder, of Paducah, Kentucky, is stationed at the resignation submitted last being the first Negro commissioned

at Quantico, Virginia where Ma-

vion is not involved. This is borne Rudder's peasons for resigning, Negro out by Lt. Rudder who told anewtrappe's charged that he was "un-Defender representative that he willing to undergo the isolation to which had been treated fairly at Quan-he has been subjected." tico. He stated that treatment had No action has been taken on the resig-sometimes been "unsympathetic" nation as yet, the Marine Corps said, and

could best be described as religi-retary of the Navy." ous scruples. Investigation by the Defender revealed that together with some 18 of his classmates, Lt. Rudder was recently called in and cautioned to show improvement in his academic grades. Significantly, in non-objective subjects such as "Leadership", Rudder has been given high marks by his instruc-

Marine officials including Major General Lemuel C. Shepherd, Commandant of the Quantico Base, appear alarmed and apparently would much prefer that Rudder complete his course and assume active duty. This is understandable in light of criticism from the President's Committee chaired by Charles H. Fahy, which is reported to feel the Corps has done little to indicate a desire toward integration in spite of the presence of Lt. Rudder and of four inactive Negro Reserve offi-

rine Corps reserve headquarters here There are six colored drill inrecently announced the formation structors, one of them being Staff of Volunteer Reserve Training unit Sgt. Charles J. Shaw. He must be

delphia, will specialize in training of their ten weeks training period.

Negro Marine Officer Quits

until such time as action has been taken the volunteer reservists enjoy more Pressed for his reasons for wish- "the correspondence is considered privi- liberties, and are granted liberty ing to resign, Rudder stated they leged as between Lt. Rudder and the Sec-each evening.

PARIS ISLAND, S. C. - Colored Marines at Paris Island relax with no thought of moral war against segregation and have a perfect sight on democratic victory. Here is a daily effort to train men to be of service to the nation.

An order of July 1 was handed down at this base causing 't to assume a new role in preparing men to serve their country "That of training Negro Marine recruits."

During this period there are nine colored recruits in Platoon Fortyfour of the Second Recruit Training Battalion. This number is rapidly growing as more and more enlistees are reporting in.

Ma- SIX INSTRUCTORS

4-7, U. S. Marine Corps reserve. a father, brother, friend and stern This unit first of its bind in Phila-counselor for his recruits during Megro marines, now enrolled in the Marine Corps Volunteer reserve.

The unit will be under the command of Second Lt. Frederick C. Branch, Marine Corps reserve, who organized the unit and planned its training schedule.

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Staff Sargent Shaw, is a veteran of six years in the Marines and has the respect of every Marine on

The lieu enant enlisted in the he Island. He is a former student

at Tillotson College, Austin, Tex., and his superior officers give him credit for handling his men with precision and thoroughness.

COLLEGE PACKGROUND

He is admired by even the "Old Timers" of the old corps.

Assistant drill instructor Anthony R. Stadeker, with one year of service and a college man, hails from the University of Illinois. The drill instructors are forced to be on the alert from dawn until dusk, because upon their shoulders rests the responsibility of their men meeting e rigid inspection of the battalion commander.

All training on Paris Island is not limited to recruits. This summer Marine volunteer reserves from all over the country are reporting for two weeks training. A total of sixty-six are presently undergoing training from July 25, to August 6. Six of this number were colored. Unlike the recruits,

Volunteer reservists receive instruction in rifle marksmanship, military customs and courtesies, history of the Marine Corps, field training, infantry tactics, and special weapons demonstration. The volunteer reserves here are men with no previous military service.

Has The Navy Licked Jim Crow?

Be Done, And

By LUCIUS C. HARPER (Installment VIII)

As one of the civilian guests invited by the Secretarythis ship I discovered that something was happening to the old of the Navy to take a seven weeks' journey with Task policy of the Navy . . . that it had Force Cruise 61 in Atlantic waters, I came in personal con-baen definitely scrapped for a tact with the non-discriminatory policies recently set up innew and better plan; that somethe Naval establishment. Actually by virtue of policy andwhere, an order with force and instructions for its implementation stroyers and four Minelayers a being carried out right before my longside. Our first stop was Cherbourg, France.

have not all been solved or that and I. James C. Evans, Civilian progressive. It was that way on the program in its entirety can. Assistant to the Secretary of Dethis Task Force 61, under Rearnot be considered perfect or fool-fense, made the third Negro memanate Admiral Allan Smith, and Captain proof, but from what I observed ber of the invited guests. Young H. P. Smith—one a northerner and the problems, as they arise, are and I, as newsmen, were ever and the other a southerner—and those of person-to-person problems alert to observe the new integrational everybody was happy. adequacies are cleared up as rap-keenly attuned, I believe, to dedly as they are brought to Navy tect the slightest infractions. Mr. officials' attention, and in no un-Fivans, knowing what had been certain fashion.

This Task Force 61 was under plished, was much at ease. trinating this new Navy policy, previous article. and carrying out the democratic It was of special interest to ob-principles for which this last war serve the manner in which the

in the entire outfit. The purpose colored, gave instruction to a of the Task Force is to train Midcrew of Georgia Tech boys in the shipmen at Annapolis Naval Acad-40 MM ack, ack, gun turret, teachemy and students from the NR-ing them to load, manipulate and oTC units in American colleges fire this weapon in anti-aircraft and universities the most modern practice. methods in sea warfare, In addiion to the USS Missouri, which hand took the rope a black hand to be a black hand to

terpiece of modern sea warfare. Negroes were students along with the whites, and for two hours, every night, between the hours of 12 and 2 a.m., a young Negro boy. Eley Downes, navigated the Mighty Missouri through the Atlantic behind the wheel in the pilot

In fact, everywhere I went on

bourg, France.

There were only two Negro correspondents among the twelve civated black boys—and that they to be admitted that the problems of the Norfolk Journal and Guide that leadership is stern, fair and back boys—and that they be admitted that the problems of the Norfolk Journal and Guide that leadership is stern, fair and back boys—and that they be admitted that the problems of the Norfolk Journal and Guide that leadership is stern, fair and back boys—and that leadership is stern.

done and what lad been accomcommand of Rear-Admiral Allan It was not, of course, by acci-

. Smith, a northerner, and the dent that all men with black faces ship-"The Mighty Missouri"-un-were serving the tables, and in the der command of Captain H. P. Steward's division. But even here, Smith, a southerner. Both are a there is a way out, and the policy credit to the Navy. Both are lib-now is to move them up through eral and progressive. They seem examinations and promotions, tremendously interested in indoc-

was fought. It was, indeed, a great two races mixed on this Cruise privilege to have been on this without the slightest conflict in-Cruise with the two Smiths (not volving any race problem. In the relatives) when one realizes that NROTC units from two colleges. there have been few instances of namely. Georgia Tech and the close scrutiny of the Navy and its University of Louisville, the south racial policies by Negro newsmen, ern whites were as congenial and We started from Norflok, Va., affable as those of northern breed-August 3 with some 6.000 persons seaman, who was unmistakably

In every capacity where a white ne crew and Midshipmen, officers conduct of the ship's business, Ne-

HAS THE NAVY LICKED JIM CROW?

Great Lakes Gets Wrong Leadership

By LUCIUS C. HARPER Installment IV

From the beginning of the program to accept Negroes inally assigned for indoctrination, for general service, it appeared that the Navy reluctantly only 12 feceived commissions as admitted well-trained and qualified Negroes into the naval stablishment. This was evidenced by the fact that a president of Chicago; Samuel Barnes of Chicago; Samuel Barnes of Chicago; Phillip Barnes

This situation brought into the Navy far too many Negroes who had not had advantage of a high school education and many who were denied the opportunity, s civilians, of education even beond the primary elementary

Those who were not sent to Norlk for training with the Seabees or to Bainbridge, Md., as mess at-endants, were sent to Great Lakes, near Chicago, where a camp "across the railroad tracks" was set up to

house all Negroes. In charge of this camp was the late Daniel W. Armstrong, whose philosophy and beliefs in the sysem of caste and segregation were dentical with those of Frank Knox, then Secretary of the Navy. Lt. General Armstrong, a missionary and humanitarian who was the founder of the great industrial school, Hampton Institute. It subquently proved that Armstrong, although a competent naval offiwas one of the greatest deterents to the progress of the Negro in the Navy, with his "cautionary" and "special treatment" measures.

Although the number of Negroes who entered the Navy increased in such numbers, that it was necessary to increase the number of camps for Negro recruits from one in 1942, to three in 1943, there remained separate camps, companies, housing, personnel, schools and instruction, offices and equipment, mess halls, sick bays and athletic and recreational facilities,

only one Negro officer per 14,000 Negroes in the Navy. Little thought was given at the outset to responsible assignments to the officers newly commissioned, yet no publicity was spared to announce that the Navy had accepted into its officer ranks qualified Negroes. Persistent requests from its Negro officers resulted in assignment to duties best suited to their training. education and background. Although 16 Negroes were orig-

dential order decreed that the Navy was to obtain 72 per Washington, D. C.; Dalton Baugh its Negro personnel from In 1943, several Negroes were screened for possible commission of Chelsea, Mass.; George Cooper ing as officers in the U. S. Navy of Hampton, Va.; Reginald E. Lists were prepared and purport- Goodwin of New York; James Hare edly sent to the Bureau of Naval of Fort Pierce, Fla.; Graham Martinenial areas of the continuous strong who said that this program Nelson of Washington, D. C.; John strong who said that this program Nelson of Washington, D C.; John of commissioning Negro officers W Reagan of New York; Frank necessarily must be defeated be-Sublett of Evanston, Ill, and Syl-

cause of the riots which subse-vester White of Chicago, Ill.

A few months later, "morale regarded the commissioning of Ne- in November. 1942. bait" was again offered to the Ne- gro officers as an encroachment were qualified doctors, dentists, gro personnel and another screen upon their exclusive right to "of-ministers and engineers.

ing took place. It was the riot in feets' country," gradually and efNew York which served this time

Other imaginary difficultites ous colleges and universities

as the factor which negatived the were created by the anti-Negro offi- throughout the country and upon commissioning. It was then that cers in the U. S. Navy and it re-completion of such training were commissioned as ensigns in the Ceneral Armstrong, a missionary pressure from the outside and the quired the combined efforts of the commissioned as ensigns in the creditable performances of the Ne-few fair-minded officers and the Navy, and assigned to appropri-groes from within the ranks of the commandant of the Naval Centerate billets. The Navy's experience Navy began to be recognized and to make the necessary adjust-just past gives to the future the take effect, and on the third screen-ments. It is little wonder that to-outlook that Negro officers in the ing and "with no riots interven-gether with these imaginary diffi-U. S. Navy will not be "just an ing," sixteen of the 160,000 Ne-culties and problems went con-experiment" or a mere matter of groes then comprising their num-tinued and deepened sense of in record, but rather an integral and ber in the naval establishment, feriority. There was a deliber of the naval establishment, feriority. ber in the naval establishment, feriority. There was a deliberate tablishment, doctrinated into officer ranks. For attempt to break down and dissimany months thereafter, this pro-pate the officer and enlisted man gram continued to be the Navy's relationship. However, the antici"greatest experiment," the exist-pated "break down" did not come
ence of which had no foundation and confidence in the ability of these Negro officers to assume their

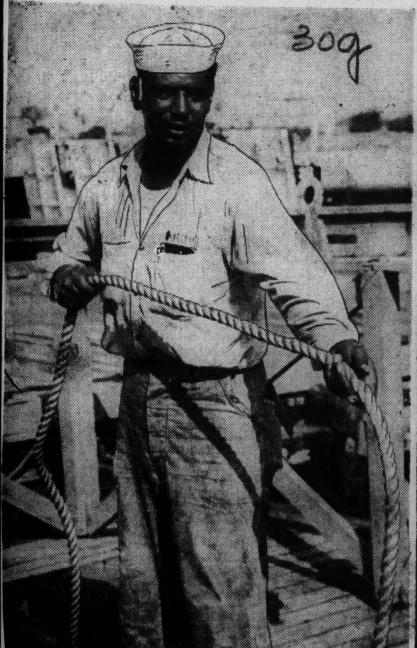
The Navy had thus fortified it-military and social responsibilities self with an answer to the ques-began to come into existence. In tion why Negroes did not receive the wake of this confidence came commissions as officers in the Uthe commissioning of staff offi-S. Navy, even though there wascers among Negro civilians who

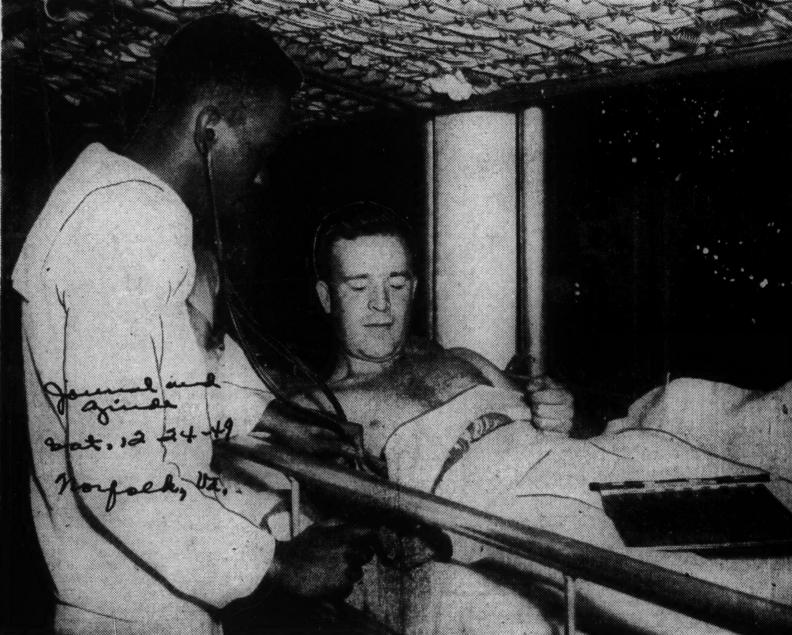


quently occurred in Detroit, Mich., It was not until Commander J. E. JOHNSON, Steward, third class, USN, son of J. W. Johnson, and Beaumont, Texas. It cannot be Armstrong's detachment from the 2624 Barry Dr., S. E. Washington, D. C., receives the Navy Unit believed that he could fail to real-Naval Training Center at Great Commendation Ribbon from the commanding officer aboard his ship, ize that it was denials such as this Lakes that these officers were grad- the Minesweeper USS Tanager, attached to the Mine Force, Atlanwhich helped to create such riots ually accorded the privileges, rights tic Fleet. Heretofore Johnson had little hope of getting out of the But underlying the alleged reasons and responsibilities their rank Steward's Division due to the rigid policy of discrimination in the for the defeat of this program of merited in the Naval establish- Navy, but under the New Plan introduced by the late Secretary of commissioning Negro personnel as ment, and when the opportunity Defense Forrestal, wiping out discriminatory practices, Johnson can hope of postponing such a pro-course between all officers of the ribbon was awarded Johnson for meritorious service against enemy gram "ad infinitum."

Navy, many fears of those who action is both former to be a service against enemy officers in the U. S. Navy, was his came for a normal social inter- hope for promotion according to his aspirations and ability. This Navy, many fears of those who action in both European and Pacific campaigns. He entered the Navy

United States Navy Follows Democratic Way of Life, And It Works





Cunningham of the U.S.M.C. Re-by the Secretary of Defense . . . serve, authorizing the director of request that you take immediate the third district "to conduct action to bring to an end efforts survey in order to determine the to create such a segregated Marine practicability of activating a color-Corps Reserve in this city."

NEW YORK — Protest against bian Truck Company within the attempts to create an all-Negrolimits of New York City." Mr. Wil-Marine Corps Reserve Unit inliams also cited an appeal to Negro New York City was made this Marine veterans to join this poweek by the National Association

for the Advancement of Colored

Move To Create

In a letter to the director of the a segregated Marine Corps ReThird Marine Corps hereve Disserve Unit," the NAACP attorney
trict, NAACP Assistant Special
Counsel Franklin H. Williams policy announced by the Department of the Navy and approved quoted a letter from Major B. E ment of the Navy and approved



The U. S. Navy is making substantial progress on its Bottom right: — Recruit training honormen pose for racial integration program designed to use to the fullest their pictures at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center, extent America's manpower for the country's defense and Great Lakes, Ill. Honorman, front right, is Leroy Franklin security without regard to race, color, creed or nationality. Sr. USN. of 764 Clark street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

this arm of the nation's defense.

Top left:—George H. Babcock, damage controlman, first class, USN, husband of Mrs. Juanita Stanton Babcock, of 34 Pierce street, Westerly, R. I., flemishes a line on a dock at the Atlantic Fleet Boat Pool, Naval Operating Base, Guantanano Bay, Cuba, where he is currently stationed. He entered the naval service in December, 1941.

Top right: — H. J. Walker, hospitalman, third class, USN, of 485 St. Marks avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., is shown while caring for Pfc. D. W. Barlow, USMC, of Creston, N. C., a patient in sick bay aboard the aircraft carrier USS Leyte.

The Leyte is on a cruise in the Mediterranean.

Bottom left: — Lt. (jg) Edward B. Allen, DC USNR,

Bottom left: — Lt. (jg) Edward B. Allen, DC USNR, makes dental examination of recruit patient at Great Lakes Naval Training Center Dental Clinic, Great Lakes, Ill., Dr. Allen, a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania school of dentistry, reported to Great Lakes Sept. 1, 1949 for an indefinite tour of active duty.

Lt. Allen is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Allen, 220 S. Randolph street, Richmond, Va. He has been assigned to the administrative command dental clinic. His wife and 4-month-old daughter reside in Fairfield. Conn.

Has The Navy Licked Jim Crow?

By LUCIUS the Representation of the Negro Americans to join the Navy, even into the United though this hand was withered: 't beckoned with the fingers of separation and discrimination. Some been in a new kind of bondage, trying with all his thing had to be done, the Allied fleet was "not holding the line."

Knox, however, was not fully this comment following Mr. Knox's announcement of his "Open Door" the Negro volunteers:

Knox, however, and welcome hand to black Americans to join the Navy, even into the United States Navy," authored by Lieutenant Dennis D. Nelson, in which a critical analysis of the Navy's policy of segregation is brought to light, we find this comment following Mr. Knox's announcement of his "Open Door" the Negro volunteers:

Coming as he did into this important establishment converted to this new theory and welcome to Negro volunteers:

Incle Sam's armed forces, he from the hilltops that the war was innovation until his back was ac
"He also stated that Negroes Uncle Sam's armed forces, he from the hilltops that the war was has remained somewhat as an un-being fought "To Save the World wanted step-child even unto this for Democracy," when a year or day. Every subterfuge known in so later he frankly admitted in St. the annals of racial prejudice has Louis speech that it was really been resorted to in an effort to fought to save America's industrial keep him in the category a supremacy.

servant—among the pots, pass and skille—in the great paval divi
from the White House and religiously adhered to in the Navy

Negro into our armed forces.

Vegro into our armed forces.

Up to and through World War criminatory policies, feeling now

Negro's status in the Navy re-spectable basis. Wilson, who had broken pre-election promises to George Washington had done in Negroes on the Jim Crow issue, 1776, and later Commodore Perry the Secretary of the Navy's office. had degenerated into a separatist in the War of 1812—decided to ex. Mr. Knox announced that the of the rankest sort, and every state department in Washington was reeking with discriminatory practices. Yet, he was proclaiming

skille in the poss, possible skille in the great haval division.

So the old pattern, endorsed from the White House and religiously adhered to in the Navy Department, of the lowliness of the Negro in our sea forces conwith some dignity above that of the Negro in our sea forces conwith some dignity above that of the Negro in our sea forces conwith horizon. At this large will be a sea force that the Negro in our sea forces conwith the U. S. Navy in any of the United States. White other capacity than Mess Attendance petty officers were to be in committed in the Negro in the Negro in the Negro in our sea forces conwith the Negro in the U. S. Navy in any of the United States. White other capacity than Mess Attendance petty officers were to be in committed in the U. S. Navy in any of the United States. White other capacity than Mess Attendance petty officers could be and Japan was discovered to have trained. The Secretary termed the any later was a sea of the United States. White other capacity than Mess Attendance in the U. S. Navy in any of the United States. White other capacity than Mess Attendance in the U. S. Navy in any of the knowledge, and probably more, rangements as a progressive step. Secretary Knox began to realize although deploring the segregated

Negro into our armed forces.

Up to and through World War criminatory policies, feeling now one the Navy had a partisan at they had a more receptive ear in titude toward employing Negroes, the White House — Franklin D. President Woodrow Wilson, with Rosevelt, if not such alkind one his well-known prejudice against in the Secretary of the Navy of Negroes, was guiding affairs of fice. Frank Jin then a Chicago war in Washington, with the aid and advice of a southerned of war had progressed to some war in Washington, with the aid and advice of a southerned of war had progressed to some war in Washington, with the aid and advice of a southerned of war had progressed to some war in Washington, with the aid and advice of a southerned of war had progressed to some war in Washington, with the aid and advice of a southerned of war had progressed to some war in Washington, with the aid and advice of a southerned of war had progressed to some war in Washington, with the before the fer's submained with the Bloody Red Shirts of naval circles. Then was also do North Carolina that drove Neving its bit of destruction against was war was a state the bloody of politics.

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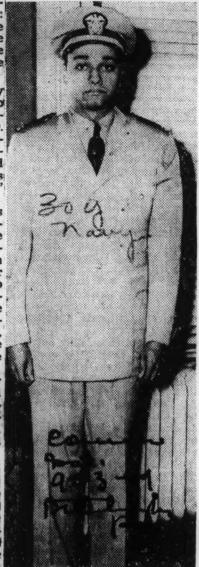
> Navy had relaxed its policy of recruiting Negroes, and would thereafter accept Negro volunteers in the Navy proper, in the Coast Guard, and in the Marine Corps,

> as seamen and in other capacities. But the announcement, had a

"joker" in it that somewhat spoiled the rejoicing among Negroes: it clearly stated "that the same pattern of segregation would be followed as that used in the Army; that Negroes would be grouped in separate units."

tend a welcome hand to black In a very comprehensive study

tually pressed to the wall. He, were not to be placed on sea-gotoo, had issued a statement, when ing combat vessels, but would be petitioned by Negro organizations ultimately assigned to shore esand harangued by Negro leaders tablishments and Navy Yards, in that enlistment in the Navy be construction crews, and in labor opened without regard to race or battalions which would develop color, that "Negroes could not be bases outside the continental lim-



Navy M. D.- George A. West who was commissioned lieutenant (j.g.) in the Naval Reserve. A graduate of Howard University Medical School, Dr. West served his internship in Provident Hospital, Baltimore, Md. He is now training at the Philadelphia Naval Hospital. - Sykes Photo.



AT THE END OF THE DAY'S CHORES comes the usual trip to the "Gedunk" Stand for ice cream and the "old Salts" gather 'round to spin a few yarns. Shown here are some of the crewmen of the Carrier (USS Coral Sea) listening attentively to a Shipmate's varn.

(l. to r.) H. A. Scharb, SA-5th Div., H. L. Pimbly, FN-B Div., F. J. Sawadchi, HM-H Div.; S. Glover, TN-4th Div.; A. Palmer, BM 3-5th Div.; R. G. Huttemloeker, SN-5th Div.; R. L. Browning, BS-S3; F. E. Tront, SA-5th Div.

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Guatanamo, Cuba aboard the figship Misouri as the dest of the U.S. Navy. The cruise is part of the training cours or midshipmen of the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis. They will embark from Norfolk, Va., on August 2, France, on its first of the Negro force 61. Its crew composed of press. The other nine vessels carry midshipmen from Annapolis and about 2,500, making a total commidshipmen from Annapolis and about 2,500, making a total commidshipmen city.



LUCIUS HARPER

returning to the United States about the last of September.

Mr. Harper, who is interna-



Harper Sees Navy Integration At

Midshipmen, alerted to their posts dispatch from Cherbourg. their first concept of this truise, learning by doing which was emphasized to them in a shore lecture before departure by Rear Admiral Allan E. Smith, commander of

this task force fleet.

There are aboard 1,200 midship-men on this seven-weeks cruise that will take them through every concaivable maneuver of sea war-

tare. Thursday, after a hundred miles out, they fought off "attionally known as one of the vet-

erans of Negro journalism, will be a member of a small press party composed of representatives of the leading national newspapers, who will observe the seaduty training program of the Navy.

The USS Missouri, popularly known as the "Mighty Mo." participated in the sea battles with Japan during Waird War II, and it was on its deck that the Japanese surrender was accepted by nese surrender was accepted by shipmen, two from Annapolis and General McArthur. chester.

The Annapolis students are: Lawrence Chambers, son of Mrs. C. H. Chambers, 630 S. St., N. W. Washington, D. C., appointed by Congressman William L. Dawson of Illinois, and Reeves S. R. Taylor, son of John E. Fatlor, 60 Carrington ave., Providence R. J., appointed by Senator James Mc-

The other is Donald Stiggers, Warren, Ohio, big 180-pound fel-low, who is out for football at U. of R. It was difficult for the Navy to outfit him. He wear a size 12 shoe. He and Chambers work with the gun crews. Taylor is in the radar control room, known as CIC.

NROTG units of average small-size American city. seven universi- Also aboard is James C. Evans. ties, got its ini-Negro civilian assistant to the tiar experience of Secretary of Defense, who is on warrie at saa. a protracted tour of naval and Conveyer by military forces and installations. nine other ves-He was formerly head of the ensels, five destroy-gineering department at West ers and four Virginia state College, Charleston. mine - layers, it We are now nearing the mid-

w a s "attacked" dle of the Atlantic with more from the air by subs and dive bombers lurking Lucius Harper 22 dive bombers around us for the "attack." Next

(Defender Correspondent now on four with the U. S. Navy Task Force Cruise in Atlantic Waters) THE WAY TO PARIS - The USS MISSOURI threw ou separates it from the American Embassy.

its anchor about two miles from the shore of Cherbourg. occupied the place. They sunk concrete barges to prevent Allied cut off the head of Marie Antoinette. Wee, Monsieur, many great ships from docking there when they were driven out under shell men and women of France lost their heads where that granite fire. The harbor, however, is still blockaded.

But the Navy motorboat speeded us through the heardous now stands." currents, and an old French taxi-man speeded us to the anti-I handed him an American bill instead of a franc, the old driver quated airport of Querqueville where a Navy transport plane pointed again. took us to Paris within an hour and twenty minutes.

language.

cottain amount of fear within one who find Napoleon's Tomb." There is always a cottain amount of fear within one who and so I did, the very next day when I went through the visits a strange land without having a workable knowledge of its tall marble gates of this "hotel." This place was originally foundlanguage. At least, that's the way I felt when I went to a Spanishspeaking country, Cuba, and the feeling slightly processed med by Louis XV as a home for wounded soldiers, but the Tombeau
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In a circular pit under the great dome the sarcophagus, of

pearded college professor, spoke English fuently. His smile and Figures of Victory."

nis manners were contagious. We became friends immediately.

Among other notables Joseph Bonaparte, Vaudan the fort"Monsieur, are you that much interestal in Paris; then I will builder, and more lately Marshal Foch, have taken their honored

take you out of your way to show you some of the beauty of it."

And he did just that. What would have ordinarily been a forty-minute trip took

us an hour and some minutes to cover, so genuine was this old man's promise.

Before we were delivered to the Hotel Crillon (pronounced Cre-on), memoralized by the event and meeting place of King Louis XV and Benjamin Franklin in 1792 when France recognized America's independence, this driver had pointed out to that French people rarely travel beyond the borders of their us — as we drove past — Notre Dame Cathedral, the Eiffel Tow. own land. And the common answer spoken from the French angle er, and in the distance, the Arc de Triomphe, with that continuous is: "Why should they when they have the best of everything?" flame aglow that denotes the sacrifice of the Unknown Soldier. Of course, this answer does not represent the truth, but a little

of the silver Seine, and pointed out the bookstalls; hundreds and hundreds of them form a dazzling display of books, old and new the most brilliant visitor-city in the world. No other is a patch and he tells us, in nearly every language in the world, not to on it. London is bigger and stronger, despite its setback by the mention etchings, old prints, and music scores by the hundred war. Rome is more replete with history and certainly with weight.

I went there later on a foot-tour to spend about half ar you don't buy, someone else will.

Wee. (spelled in French, Oui) this is the Champs Elysees.' surpass Paris in natural setting. (Translated it means "The Fields of Heaven.") The gardens here seemed to be made purposely for loitering. The children are at play, and each chair and bench seems occupied. French couples same service, same attention and same value as any other perstroll, stop shortly, hug and kiss publicly, and no one turns to stare or comment. At least, no one but me, when I strolled through there later on an observation tour.

"We are near your hotel. Monsieur: there is so much to see

I shall point out more in the little time we have to unpack?' He meant after taking the baggage from the taxi. We were in front of Hotel Crillon, a massive structure consuming a block. It is actually a Seventeenth Century castle, and just a small street

"There," he says, "is the Place de la Concorde, and tha The Germans had seen to that during the war when they Revolution of 1791 beheaded King Louis XVI, and a year later men and women of France lost their heads where that granite

Later, after a tip had passed, and he smiled gloriously wher

"Don't fail to stroll through those grounds where you see What a beautiful city to view from the air — Paris. And the high marble fence. There you will find many things of inhere we landed speaking scarcely three sentences correctly in its terest, it is called the Hotel des Invalides, and there you will

In a circular pit under the great dome the sarcophagus, of But my anticipations were greatly eased when it fell my lot red Finnish marble, rests on a base of green granite. Napoleon's be assigned a taxi in which the old driver, who resembled a trophies and flags surround the tomb, as do many bas-reliefs and trophies and flags surround the tomb, as do many bas-reliefs and

> resting places near the ashes of the great emperor. As you stand looking at all of this, one can hardly escape a sermonizing mood, involving thoughts of the futility of life.

> What a guide was the old driver! But now I must go it alone into the labyrinth of this great and ancient city and search for and marvel at its beauty myself.

The canvas of France is almost too full of wonders. It is said And then he swung us rightward for a drive along the banks reflection will show how astonishingly far from absurd it is.

Paris, utterly undamaged by the war, remains, without doubt churches.

Berlin is now ended, and Vienna is a tragic ghost. New York hour: I left three hours later, the rambling was so interesting. It is a special phenomenon, with its skyscrapers wonderful and stirring, but far less beautiful and appealing than this French A turn left brought us into a wide boulevard which seemed metropolis. Stockholm, Budapest, Rio de Janeiro are only a few like a paved alley between trees. "Where are we know," I asked of the cities - I'm told by books; I haven't seen them - which

> If you have money to spend in Paris, you spend it anywhere you see a place open for public accommodation, and you get the son, regardless of race or color. - (Continued next week)

Maritime Industry Refuses Navy Ends Segregation

loyment to qualified Negro ship

Scores of mates, engine room of Defense. (Journal and Guide officers, Pursers and wireless op-Photos) erators are now unemployed because the ships they operated during the last war have been withdrawn from service, disclosed Philip E. Waldez, chairman of the

committee. Despite its excellent wartime record, the Booker T. Washington was withdrawn from service by the Luckenbach Steamship Co., Inc., in October, 1947. Captain Mulzac said the ship crossed the Atlantic 22 times, ferrying 15,000 troops without mishap.

H. M. Singleton, operations manager of the Luckenbach Steamship Co., disclosed no Negroes are now assigned to any of the Luckenbach ships, but added this was purely accidental and was not a

company policy.
Four Negroes were among the seventy educators, industrialists. and paper union representatives invited to the oth annual Civilian Orientation Conference being held at Norfolk Naval Base this week These pictures were made as the Navy's civil-

NEW YORK—The American ian guests arrived at the Base naritime industry has reverted to Sunday afternion a loard milipre-war policy of denying emtary transport planes. They are NORFOLK—When the Navy being housed at the base and got rid of segregation it didn't being housed at the base and got rid of segregation it didn't the charge was made this week during the week will spend stop with integrating the sailors at Captain Hugh L. Mulzac, co-spon- day each at sea on a carrier—their duties aboard the ship. But or of a committee representing the huge U.S.S. Midway—and a-censed Negro ship personnel. board submarines. TOP PHOTO the non-biased policy extended in-He said that an appeal for a forDowdal H. Davis (right) presi- to their off-duty hours also. he said that all appear to dent of the Negro Newspaper Take, for instance, the recently dent of the Negro Newspaper Take, for instance, the recently been sent to Major Philip B. FlemCity (Mo.) Call, is greeted by tion Club, at Little Creek, Its chairman of the U. S. Mari- City (Mo.) Call, is greeted by tion Club, at Little Creek. Its Thomas W. Young, past-presi-doors and facilities are open at all

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one of Norfolk's leading night Approximately three weeks after adjust" before being returned to the explosion, the survivors were duty. The refusal of these 44 Nespots. Are all Navy service clubs non- assembled with the view of resum-gro seamen was more than just segregated? One of the boys ex ing the loading and upon their re-their fears of the recurrence of the plained. "They are supposed to be luctance at returning to work the disaster, but was rather a reflection Anyway this is Virginia, and you was called in. His appeal was unlits treatment of its Negro personnel availing and although a large num-had created. Petitions and appeals ber of the Negro personnel werefor clemency were received by the unable to overcome their fear of Navy from many sources and it

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Advancement for Negro person-SEVEN WEEK TRIP nel were extremely slow and in the Navy began to realize that these sonnel, the elimination of the week. practice of maintaining predominantly Negro units at naval ammunition depots.

handling the Negro contingent in and USS H. F. Bauer. the naval establishment. Promotional opportunities were created. The same ships recently reed and recreational facilities sufed largely on loyalty and efficiency ond.
of its personnel were being met.

Ammunition depots, both in the Continental United States and over-seas, served as the dumping Be Guests On Naval Cruise grounds for substandard Negro

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those not in good favor with unit nounced Sunday by the National haval surface force.

mary cases did not exist. It is ob- Twelve hundred midshipmen val Academy left Annapolisations that these difficulties and from the US Naval Academy, Md., on August 2 to join the conditions, plus those of inade-including two Negroes, and eight ships at Norfolk. quate living conditions and limited civilian universities, will com- In addition, 462 senior and

disorder, discouragement and disillusionment and certainly worked
against good military decorum. It
was evident that the Navy at this
stage of the war attached little importance to the necessity of high
morale at these stations. However, is scheduled for Aug. 15.

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The task force, which is headed by the battleship Mis-Although, many interpretations souri, includes five destroyers, were put upon these directives by the USS New, USS Holder, the commanding officers of various USS Rich, USS R. L. Wilson, commands, in the main, the obedi- and the USS Damato and four ence to these directives corrected light minelayers, the USS Shea, many of the problems and evils in USS Shannon, USS R. E. Fraser,

Negro personnel were gradually urned from the firs 1949 midassigned to duties for which their hipmen's cruise, which includtraining and background demanded visits in Portsmouth, Engficient for all were provided on and off the various bases. Thus began commander, Cruiser Force, Atland, and Guantanamo. Rear blems accruing under a segregat. lanta Fleet, who served as task ed policy and many of the vital force commander of the first needs of the service which depend- cruise, also will direct the sec-

PURPOSE OF CRUISE

During the cruise, conducted to give the midshipmen "on the job training," the future naval officers will stand deck

(sophomore) classes at the Na-

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versity of Louisville, 34: Ohio The midshipmen ship's crews, State University, 87; University

HAS THE NAVY LICKED JIM CROW

By LUCIUS C. HARPER

WAS not "for love of the Negro' and a desire on the art of Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox to see him me into his own" that he issued his order of April 7, relaxing the Navy's ironclad Jim Crow policy of only uiting Negroes "through the kitchen," but there was

this decision to accept Ne-

ndcus prompting in the War of range of Negro delegations. But in Washington that brought his plan of Jim Crow recruiting went on.

volunteers in the Navy proper, however, on the part of Negroes At first there was a lull; not, the Coast Guard, and in the who were being taken in through ne forps, amen and in Selective Service, but moreover on the part of the Navy itself that the part of the Navy itself that had become somewhat baffled in in the face of this "prompt- the maze of its Jim Crow set-up from higher sources, Secre- Up to this point Secretary Knox Knox listed in this "new and Paul V. McNutt, Chairman of the war Manpower Commission, discovered that they actually had "two Navies" on their hands: one white, and one black.

matter methods of integrating the eligible Negroes sent it by Selecthe Navy had accepted a few Newhorld Negroes in the Navy. They gained a suppointment at his office and mappointment at his office and ments were so high that rejections with the "Kitchen Division," it was discovered that local draft boards had a surplus of Negro manpower for a surplus of Negro manpower for personal to reason why, at night by their crowing—Jim Some plan had to be arranged Crowing, as it were. At the same whereby Secretary Knox could time, Germany and Japan were so high that rejections the "Kitchen Division," it was discovered that local draft boards had a surplus of Negro manpower for personal time that "Secretary Knox was such as the fact. The induction, while the white supply that the induction of Negroes for Secretary failed to add, however, was exhausted. Volunteers were in the Navy and Marine Secretary failed to add, however, was exhausted. Volunteers were corps would come through the selective Service in the Navy and Marine Secretary failed to make another conference fizzled out. At that he had set "limited quotas of Negroes from Selective Service" which they wished to enroll, but which tried to provide men in ac-also were permitted to choose a stations. This new policy was decordance with the standards renarticular division of that service, signed to apportion Negroe selectes.

white, and one black.

In the early part of 1943, it was negregation as discovered that the induction of NAVY WAY becomes civilian way in matter of journalism. M. Lessenged in separate units, he actually went the Army one betatually went of segregation was less liberal, in that there would be no Negro commissioned officers in the Navyl Academy, arbitrary 10 per cent by the end of offices of Chicago Defender. Navy students spend time in established the year. The strength of the Navy newspaper offices and then carry experiences back to class in story then was 2,609,500. A much larger form.

The Negro Chaplains, and only two Negroes had been accepted for training as commissioned medical officers in the Naval Reserve.

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the Navy. He continued to the Navy. The belief that accounted largely for the unsuperiment, who was current that Secretary Knox and subsequently a re-arrangement was actually resorting to a "bag of of Secretary Knox's plan, for he and service school graduates are neglected by the and of 1942. when Secretary Knox came to needed by the end of 1943.

Thicago, (ne was then publisher Secretary Knox was undergoing the Chicago Daily News), amany headaches in trying to perport of citizens, smarting underform a Houdini with his dublicate Navy to such an extent that the sought a conference with him to sought a conference with him to significant the ratio methods of integrating the ligible Negroes sent it by Selectine Navy had accepted a few Negroes are reason why at night by secretary Knox's plan, for he shis prejudicial tricks" to stem the soon learned that there were thousands of Negroes qualified to their specialties, but were assended for the most part to amount to compromise their educational was supply depots as the components of the needed by the end of 1943.

Navies—one white, one plack. At a until this was successfully termitated. His every act pointed in "Kitchen." Finally all volunteering come home to roost," and they was stopped. It didn't take a were beginning to keep him awake that the Navy was taking in all when, under the volunteer order, some plan had to be arranged Crowing, as it were at the same whereby Secretary Knox could time, Germany and Japan were

among the Army, Navy, Corps and Coast Guard F same old "Knox's Ghost" haunted it: segregation into separate units still prevailed. Believing he had solved the problem to the best interest of all concerned, what Sec-etary Knox had actually done resulted in "the roof falling on his own head."

After several thousand Negroes had completed their training courses for service in Separate Black Navy," Negro leaders and organizations wrote the Navy department to determine the actual status of these newly rained seamen because letters of complaints had begun to flow in from-these inductees that they were the victims of all sorts of in justices through prejudice and dis orimination. Six of the major com plaints were listed as follows:

One-The Navy was making little use of Negro seamen, except as Stewards on sea-going ships.

Two-Men trained at the naval schools were assigned to menial jobs, in shore depots, and in some cases under civilian direction.

Three-There were no commissioned officers, petty officer ratings were being witheld from Negroes. There were no

AS THE NAVY LICKED JIM CR

Knox Dodged Issue;

Installment III

ITHE NAVIES of Germany and Japan battering moval, and A. Philip Randolph, helping or hurting? without, and Negroes who had been taken in the said the change was not a desir-U. S. Navy through Selective Service, discontentable one in that it "accepts and within, Secretary Frank Knox found himself with a "man's extends and consolidates the poljob on his hands." He discovered also that he was dealing cy of Jim-Crowism in the Navy with an entirely "New type" of Negro—one who was not cepted, recognized government satisfied with sugar-coated promises. It was a real show-ideology that the Negro is inferior down that the Secretary seemed in the following editorial:

to be dodging, but it was also in- "We hope American Negro citievitable that the real issue would zens appreciate fully what this

have to be met, sooner or later. policy means to them. There is Even before this "dodging of deck of a warship in a white uni-the issue" by the Navy department form. To be stigmatized by being the issue" by the Navy department form. To be stigmatized by being through its switch-over from the denied the opportunity of serving volunteer method of inductor to one's country in full combat service in the Navy is humiliating that of the cerective Service System, the Negro publy at large was greater injustice is to deny a tenth not satisfied with the status that of the citizens of this country any Servetary K box had assigned the black may the Navy's partisan attitude toward the employment of Negroes had be nothing less than scandal for years. It was not "Our taxes help keep up the Navy black face we identify with the "kitchen."

Now was the time the color line argument with the darker races to break down whatever obstacles

wasn't intended to) cracked the

America were using the color line but a few pennies. The training argument with the darker races in numerous trades and skills to break, down whatever obstacles they confronted. Japan was particularly active with this type of propaganda among the Asiatics, and America was finding it a very uncomfortable question to answer. The training in efficiency, the travel and education—all at the expense of making Magroes into the Navy the taxpavers—are for white only!

Taking Negroes into the Navy under one heading and then making them stevedores didn't help matters. But in some quarters this attendants only! At the same time matters. was just what was expected of we are supposed to be able to Secretary Knox, so well-known appreciate what our white fellow were his opinions about the Negro. citizens declare to be the 'vast even before he became Secretary difference' between American Democracy and Hitlerism." some previous dealings with him, Unlike World War L when Neyears before he issued his "rev- and got nothing, this new line of plutionary order" of April 7, 1942, defense on the part of Negroes are was the subject of much de- themselves was geared on differbate in the Negro press. It was ent levels. They were determined precipitated by his announcement now to see that "some Democracy" that Negroes "could not be accept. should be dispensed at the begined in the United States Navy in ning of the war, and not "at the any other capacity than as Mess end," as heretofore promised. So Attendants." In the face of fighting they kept hot on Secretary Knox's a war "To Saye Democracy," The trail "before and after" he issued his order that finally (even if it intended to).

Navy's aged color line.

In the "after" phase of this fight that the heads of the War and against Secretary Knox's "improv-Navy Departments lacked moral ed plan of inequality for the Ne-courage. We were mistaken. What gro in the Navy," Lieut. Dennis they lack is vision."

Nelson, in his book, "The Integration of the Negro Into the United point, was truly short of vision; the Negro Into the United brown people of Malaya, the

to the white man."

Going somewhat deeper into the matter, Opportunity Magazine had this to say about the Knox sugarcoated integration plan for Ne-

"There is nothing we can see in the New Policy of the Navy Department relative to the admittance of Negroes which is cause for rejoicing or dancing in the streets. To the sweeping protests of hundreds of thousands of citi-zens of both races against discrimination, the Secretary of the Navy after months of 'consideraton and reflection' has answered by merely extending the area of segregation of the greatest democracy on earth. The pity of it is that the Secretary of the Navy and the Administration in Washington appear not to have the slightest inclination to give real democracy a chance.

"They might have provided for the training of small units of white and Negro boys together as an experiment perhaps, vast ex-periments are being conducted with machines, why not experiment with men? They might have announced that in those universities and colleges which now admit Negroes as students, they would also be admitted to the naval officer training classes that are being conducted under the joint auspices of such schools and the Navy Department. Or they might have asked the trustees of Hampton to permit the Navy Department to train students for the Navy and decreed that men would be assigned to that institution without regards to color or race in order to have a practical and realtistic test of racial attitudes among the youth of the country. In short, the Navy Department of the U.S. might at least have made a gesture toward the fulfillment of democratic principles

"At one time we were convinced

States Navy," has performed a the brown people of Malaya, the good service in preserving much Philippines, India and the Dutch editorial data that gives us an in-East Indies had begun to catch on-sight into the spirit of the battle against Knox. The Washington of to the words of Japan that Amerfice of the NAACP, he tells us, ican whites" hated black, brown condemned Knox and wired Pres- and yellow peoples." Was Secreident Roosevelt demanding his re- tary Knox's policy of segregation

SIntegration Plan Deserves Credit folk Journal and Guide, and Lucius first concept of this cruise, "learn-Harper, Chicago Defender, were ing by doing," which was emphaamong the group of newsmen mak sized to them in a shore lecture ing the trip on the Missouri. before departure by Rear Admirom All of Us; Ex-Officers in Particular Cherbourg, and a after a brief staythis task force fleet. You may be happy in civilian Army and Air Force operations men on this sevent weeks cruds to the stay of the sevent weeks cruds a stay of the sevent weeks cruds a sevent weeks a sevent weeks

to Go Back; Services Badly Needed

By JAMES L. HICKS of the United States Navy ing him to come on in.

ective services in accordance

ored Reserve Officers to active hold. uty to assist in recruitment, and During the war the few coler in the Naval service.

It is this part of the Navy program which should have a special appeal to former Navy offieers. Note that the plan says that "volunteer" Reserve officers will be called to active duty to ssist in recruitment of colored

This is important. Unless there an emergency or some other nusual circumstance the Navy annot order a former officer ck to active duty unless he is villing to come.

All Should Return

Now there were not too many olored Naval officers on active uty during the war in the first lace, and a few are doing all ight in civilian life and may not vant any part of a call back to ent of colored men.

But everyone of them should

lunteer to go back.

psychological effect on a colored it isn't really a bad life, is it? YORK (NNPA) — The there in a recruiting station tell-

An Inspiration

His presence there will say to the Navy submitted a clear the prospective colored naval rent plan which was accepted by cruit that "You can sit where I it. Johnson. The Army tried to am now sitting some day." And the good part of it is that this will be the truth.

After Recruits

One section of the Navy plan, submitted to the Secretary, states that the Navy will "augment efforts to obtain colored men to enlist in the Navy will "augment efforts to obtain colored men to enlist in the Navy Recruiting Service, ordering volunteer qualified colored Reserve Officers to active his concrete evidence of the Navy hill be the truth.

After Recruits

The second reason colored Naval officers should go back for an active duty stint in the restrict the Navy will "augment efforts to obtain colored men to enlist in the Navy by assignment of colored petty officers to duty in the Navy Recruiting Service, ordering volunteer qualified colored Reserve Officers to active hold.

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slanting advertisements posters, ored men on active duty with the strengthened Navy policy. films, and pamphlets to attract Navy were widely scattered, us-colored men to the Navy by the ually held ranks in the lower cruise was the first of its kind to use of photographs showing white grades, were inexperienced, and include colored personnel in all and colored men working togeth, did not throw much weight brackets.

Get Higher Rank

learned what it's all about in the Navy and are qualified to walk in and take over any job to which they are assigned. Unfortunately when most of them reached this point they were restricted to the Navy and another. He is force and the Navy and another the is force and the Navy and the Navy

felt both in numbers and per- but fun since arriving on the formance and will prove a valu. Mo, as the Missouri is called. able aid in getting colored reAbility, Interests Considered
cruits off on the right foot in the Men on the ships assembly

be years before the colored men cording to Evans. He said the found now in the Navy and those whom colored men in all branches except it will recruit, will be able to officer (commissioned) personnel present a force of colored men -radar, helmsmen, photographers, equal to the performance and gun crew captain and many others Lucius Harper 22 dive bombers comparable to the rank which all over the ship.

This may seem unimportant to treatment and opportunity for some, but when one thinks that for the past plenty years the mental and especially that of may recall that scretary Defense Johnson ordiced the order officer sitting in the steward's him showing how they planned thing new has been added.

This may seem unimportant to some, but when one thinks that for the past plenty years the mental plant that scretary been that of one dressed in a white waiters' uniform, cooking and washing pots and pans in the steward's branch, it's easy to see that a colored may and Navy to submit a plant office will indicate that something showing how they planned thing new has been added.

There were 1250 midshipmen Aboard There were 1250 midshipmen in all, some from Annapolis and Says will soon have a completely versities having naval ROTC units. Integrated policy without regard Exercises included air attack off to color was expressed here this Norfolk, submarines off New Engagement and the steward's integrated policy without regard Exercises included air attack off to color was expressed here this Norfolk, submarines off New Engagement and the steward's integrated policy without regard Exercises included air attack off to color was expressed here this Norfolk, submarines off New Engagement and the steward's integrated policy without regard Exercises included air attack off to color was expressed here this Norfolk, submarines off New Engagement and the steward's integrated policy without regard exercises included air attack off to color was expressed here this Norfolk, submarines off New Engagement and the steward's integrated policy without regard exercises in the mid-Atlantic, and radiation and the steward's integrated policy without regard exercises in the mid-Atlantic, and radiation and the steward's integrated policy without regard exercises in the steward's integrated policy without regard exercises in the steward's integrated policy without regard exercises included air attack off to color was expressed here this Norfolk, dar drill with British Lancaster
Mr. Evans arrived in Paris after bombers on approaching the Enga trip from Norfolk, Va., aboard lish Channel.

Evans said at one point in the

with the recently revised and

Evans likewise revealed that the

Three colored youths were conspicuous: Midshipman Stiggers,

If they go back now they will into Paris with four white buddies, be able to make their presence but fun" since arriving on the Big

Men on the ships assembly for this mission were used in accord-If they fail to go back, it will ance with interests and ability, ac-

before departure by Rear Admi-Evans himself left the cruise atral Allan E. Smith, commander of

You may be happy in civilian Army and Air Force operations men on this seven weeks cruise life now, lieutenant, but you owe affecting colored personnel in Engthat will take them shrenge every it to the boys to go back a fewland and Germany. He returns toconceivable maneuver of sea war-

bourg, Guantanamo Bay, Norfolk locker.

Harper Sees Navy

Integration At

First Hand But since that time a few of the Univ.; Midshipman Chambers, ABOARD THE U.S.S. MIS. about 2,500, making a total comterned what it's all about in the Taylor Providence RI both in its posed average small-size American city.

nine other ves-dispatch from Cherbourg. sels, five destroyers and four mine - layers, it w a s "attacked" from the air by

Midshipmen, alerted to their pos this Reserve group can now do. Mr. P. Bernard Young Jr., Nor to fight off the "enemy," got their

months and help them pick up the USA shortly by air.

where you left off. And besides— The cruise, known as Task Force miles out, they fought off "at-61, commanded by Admiral Allan tacks" by four subs, two, however, E. Smith, white, was primarily a got through the screening and midshipman's training course. The "fired" on the ship, but the crew ships left Norfolk, touched Cher- also sent two subs to Davey Jones'

> In this cruise, President Truman's plan of integration is truly being carried out. The Negro personnel numbers 250, of which 104 are on the Missouri; the others on destroyers and mine-layers. This includes the three colored midshipmen, two from Annapolis and one from the University of Ro-

> chester.
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> The Annapolis students are:
> Lawrence Chambers, son of Mrs. C. H. Chambers, 630 S. St., N. W., Washington, D. C.; appointed by Congressman William L. Dawson of Illinois, and Reeves S. R. Taylor, son of John E. Taylor, 60 Carrington ave., Providence, R. I., appointed by Senator James Mc-Grath, now Attorney General.

> The other is Donald Stiggers. Warren, Ohio, big 180-pound fellow, who is out for football at U. of R. It was difficult for the Navy to outfit him. He wears a size 12 shoe. He and Chambers work with the gun crews. Taylor in the radar control rooms known CIC. Aboard are 2,500 persons on the

Missouri alone, including 12 civilian guests representing universities, magazines and newspapers.

P. Bernard Young, Jr., Norfolk Journal and Guide, and your correspondent represent the Negro

students from He was formerly head of the en-NROTC units of gineering department at West seven universi- Virginia state College, Charleston. ties, got its ini- We are now nearing the mid-

tial experience of dle of the Atlantic with more warfare at sea. subs and dive bombers lurking Convoyed by around us for the "attack." Next





J. E. Johnson, steward, third Washington, D. C., has the Navy ing officer, Lt. W. Hardcastle, lass, USN, son of J. W. John-Unit Commendation Ribbon USN, during recently-held ceremon of 2624 Barry road. S. E., pinned on him by his command-monies aboard the minesween-

ing officer, Lt. W. Hardcastle, USN, during recently-held ceremonies aboard the minesweeper, USS Tananger. Johnson received the commendation for war services aboard the destroyer, USS Calvert, which was cited for meritorious service against enemy action in European and Pacific campaigns. (Official U. S. Navy Photograph)



n 1946 and later transferred to the grade.

Ensign Is Serving Aboard USS Helena



due University and received degree in Naval science (NROTC graduate) at the University of Notre Dame in June, 1946.

Negro Personnel in the Navy

A report submitted to Defense Secretary Johnson by the Navy this week revealed that almost two-thirds of the Navy's 17,489 Negro enlisted men are serving in the stewards branch.

members of the first pay grade. This believed to be the first Negro in the tory Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Area graders are not Chief Petty Officers, as are members of the first pay grade if other properties of the first pay grade if the properties of the first pay grade if of the Atlanta Naval Officer Procurement Branch Office said Brooks

with the Navy totals nine. Five are reg-Commander Marks said Ensign ular you line officers, two are Keserve Brooks' appointment was made in officers (on active duty), and two are compliance with a Navy Department Regular Navy nurses to addition, here directive which authorized his of-Coggins, of Cleveland, Ohio, is Negroes are now attending the U. S. fice to process applications of eligurrently serving aboard the USS Naval Academy, one to graduate in June ible candidates for a commission. Telena (cruiser). He attended naval of this year, and four others have re The program, he pointed out, is

s assistant communication officer Of these, 14 are members of the first pay sioned rank during the war, but who

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clude 2 bo'sn, 1 yeoman, 1 personnelman, 6 leadership. While holding the rate commissary, 4 motor machs, 2 electricians, 1 Boatswain's Mate, first class (BMIc) damage controlman, and 1 aviation mach on Okinawa Shima he was cited

Pay Grades 1

E. JOHNSON.

Slightly less than 75 per cent of the a graduate of Morehouse College and Navy Megrees have not advanced be ond presently an instructor at Booker the core lowest pay grades, the report T. Washington, High school, was shows, and only 6,044 are serving in the sworn in the volunteer reserve Monfirst three pay grades of all branches. day with the commissioned rank
The number of Negro officers on duty of Ensign (DL), USNR.

restry and received a Perce in Also included in the report, were figures of individuals who through lack of Notre Dame in June, 1946. He The Marines have no Negro officers at eligible for advancement to commission.

The program, he pointed out, is established primarily to take care of individuals who through lack of service or of opportunity, were never eligible for advancement to commission. egular Navy in 1947. (Navy Photo.) Detailed figures from the report are as commission, and who desire to take follows: an active part in the peacetime re-serve 3 - 25 - 49 OUTSTANDING LEADER

Brooks, who graduated with honors at the Navy's Boatswain's Mate G. S. 18 86 310 707 1377 3148 168 (6,814) Va., has been praised by his super-The 18 general service chief petty officers in lor officers for his efficiency and by his Commanding Officer for displaying "Outstanding leadership

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3 4 5 6 7 abilities while serving in the line
67 153 316 604 342 of duty."

Recognition of his efficient service
was subject to high praise in the Phillipines, where he served as Assistant Special Investigator with the Navy Shore Patrol Force.

M'HOUSE STUDENT.
LEADER 3_25_U9
At Morehouse, Brooks was active in student affairs. He served as president of Morehouse student body during the 1947-48 academic year, He was a member of the college Glee club, quartet, military band, YMCA, NAACP, National Student Association and the Omega Psi Phi fraternity. Brooks formerly held an executive post as Second Vice Grand Basileus in the national body of the Omega Psi Phi.

He received an A. B. degree from

Morehouse and is teaching at Washington High School.

Joseph T. Brooks, Jr., 25-year-old A peacetime naval officer, Brooks or ving in the stewards branch.

Of the 10,645 negro stewards, 440 are War II, Monday became what is Theater Medal, World War II Vic-

JOSEPH BROOKS, JR.

About the past four years, Mid shipman Brown had no complaints except that concerning the publicity he has received. With respect o that, he said: "It is unfortunate that the American people have not matured enough to accept a person on the basis of his ability and not regard him as an oddity because he is colored."

Asked if he had been treated unairly, Brown answered: "I have found the people here friendly and cooperative . . . professors, officers, members of the staff have been completely impartial. I do not see how they could have been more impartial." He said he didn't know anything about the "silent treatreceived at the Academy. He added that most of the people there spoke to him when he came although he had to submit to the same "code of the University of Pennsylvania some say that the music depart discipline for plebes which applies Dental School. to everyone."

"The course here," said Brown, "is rigorous for everyone, but it has purpose to produce officers for the Navy . . . It is tougher for plebes now than when I came in ... This is a good place for a joined by Lieutenant j.g. Ivan young man who genuinely wants a Fraser, second colored dental of-Navy career . . . This is no place ficer in the U.S. Navy. for publicity hounds or for people who want a free Government edu- notified that he was being shipped cation, but who are interested in abroad. His three dental techsome other profession with the view that in time of war they would prefer service in the Navy.

Brown said: "I can say that I have enjoyed it. It was a matter had white technicians and preof personal choice . . . and I would dominately white patients: it was do R over again."

At the end of his first three years, Brown stood 328th in a class s.g., in August, 1946, and released

Brown, of 1305 Q Street, N. W., Texas. Washington, Brown is a graduate of Dunbar High, in Washington. He was a cadet colonel in Dunbar and volunteered for the Army at the age of 17. He was assigned to the Army Specialized Training Pro- sociation with wonderful fellows." gram at Howard where he studied Dr. Watkins is still active in the engineering for one year before his reserves of the Navy, belonging appointment to the Academy.

four years as a varsity track man meetings and makes dental exspecializing in the cross country. aminations on reserves. He played intramural tennis and "It is a splendid integrated soccer. At the Academy, he is policy, even here in the South, father-confessor, guide and counhe declared. "The men are re-

To a question about his plans for ly.

To a question about his plans for As a member of the Navy renarriage, Brown said he had none. serves he is eligible to take an an-He said he wanted to finish his nual two-week cruise of his choice education before he began to think He selected the Battleship Misabout that. He wouldn't discuss his souri and went to Panama from date for the senior prom, but it was Norfolk. He was the only officer down for that affair,

INTEGRATION WORKS:

First Navy Dental Officer Tells of Trip

By JOE MAXWELL, Staff Correspondent CHARLOTTE, N.C. The first colored dental officer in the United States Navy took time last week to tell the AFRO ment" Negroes are reported to have of his experiencing being a first,

graduate of Harvard College and town's most eligible bachelor but

He was sworn in the Navy as Leiutenant J.g., in Philadelphia on Sept. 23, 1944. Immediately he was assigned to the Great Lakes SHIP training center on Oct. 31, 1944.

A few months later he was

Later, Lieutenant Watkins was nicians volunteered for overseas duty to be with him in dental service.

The Journful dentist stated, "I a successful test of integration."

He was promoted to Lieutenant of 791 students. 6-4-49 to inactive duty in November, Son of Mr. and Mrs. William 1946, at Orange Naval Station,

Became Enriched, He Says

"My entire Navy career was one of pleasure, enriched with valuable dental knowledge and friendly as-

to volunteer dental unit at Char-He won Academy numerals for lotte. He attends the monthly

selor to three plebes, all of them spectful, co-operative and friend-

of his race on board.

Asked his opinion of the educational setup in the South, he readily admitted that the standard is too low and will have to be improved in order for colored per sons to compete on an equal lev



CAPT. HUGH MULZAC

NEW YORK (ANP) - The question of finding jobs for qualified Negro ship personnel has been dropped in the lap of Major General Philip B. Fleming, chairman of the U. S. Maritime commission, Capt. Hugh N. Mulzac, co-sponsor of a committee seeking employment for licensed Negro ship workers announced last week.

cek. Capt. Mulzac, 62, who the liberty ship Booker T. Wash-

ington during World War II, said he had appealed for a formal hearing on charges that Negroes were being discriminated against.

The maritime industry, he said, "has reverted to a pre-war policy of denying employment to qualified Negro ship officers." He said less than 10 of 200 Negro officers who served during World War II are still working in the merchant fleet.

During the war, he led the Booker T. Washington for five years across the Atlantic ocean 22 times, transporting 15,000

troops without a mishap.
Capt. Multac was one of five Negroes who served as ship mas-Dr. Thomas Watkins Jr. is a Dr. Watkins is considered the ters during the war. One, Adrian Richardson, died in 1945. The others are working with Captain ment of Johnson C. Smith Oni Mulzac in his efforts to get more versity may hold the key to this, jobs for Negro officers. They are Clifton Lastic, John Godfrey, and James H. Brown.

Nis Melson has been transferred from Naval Reserve on promotion ... Acres Scott Jones of Howard U. ed library assistant at main branch thur P Dayis of Howard U. Ho the London Times reviews are so glowing

Navy's First Negro Dental Officer



At present, he is on duty at the (ig) Frank Loris Peterson Great Lakes Hospital

Test, Los Angeles, Calif., the A Bachelor or Arts graduate of st Negro dental officer to re-Pacific Union College, Angwin, ive a commission in the Navy, Calif., Lt (jg) Peterson received reported for duty at the Na-his dental surgery degree from Training Center, Great Lakes, the University of Southern Cali- SWORN IN REGULAR NAVY

fornia College of Dentistry.

Lift Peterson, who set His father, F. L. Peterson, of call of Navy, was sworn in on Oakwood College in that city.

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Lt. Dennis D. Nelson, USNR, of Washington becomes an officer in the Regular Navy, being sworn in by Capt. C. H. K. Miller, USN, administrative officer. Lieutenant Nelson is a public information officer. Present at the ceremony were Lester Granger, member of the President's Faye Committee, Capt. Robert MacFarlane, USN., Mrs. Dennis Nelson, and the staff of Navy Public Relations and Public Information.

Army Given 12 Days To Submit Plan To

Committee; Captain Robert Mc-segregation in its troop units on approved a proposed Navy of the Navy Public Relations and The Defense Secretary at the treatment and opportunity." for

same time urged the Navy to push forward speedily with its new plan to give greater effect to principles of non-segregation already adopted.

Johnson, in rejecting the Army's latest proposal to include Negro troops under the President's non-discrimination program, ordered that a new plan should be drawn up by June 20.

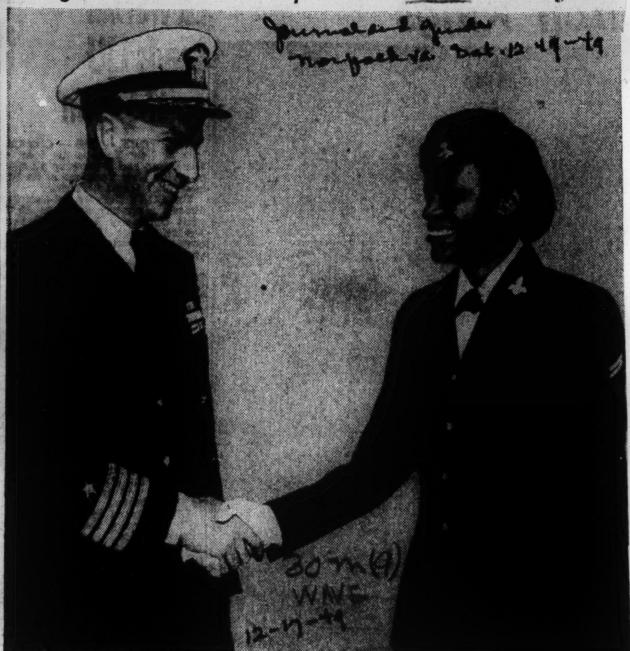
The Army already has abolished segregation in its offices and headquarters units, and has accepted the practice of a combining one Negro battalion with two white battalions in a



EASON APPOINTED — John C. Eason, Jr. Washington, D. C. Public Health Service, Federal Security Agency is ofctured at his desk in the Office of International Health Relations. Mr. Eason who is field Liaison Officer for IHO, has been named as one of five U. S. appointees to the fall interneship program of the United Nations, an eight week, on-the-job training program for civil servants in the field of international relations. A Sanitarian in the Commissioned Officers Corps Mr. Eason holds a rank equivalent to that of Lieutenant Commander in the Navy.

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Tuskegee Graduate Wins Top Honors In Wave Training Class



Taking top honors, Miss Ernestine J. Dimitry, USN, recently graduated from Wave recruit training at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest L. Dimitry, of 517 West 152nd st., New Yrok, N. Y. Miss Dimitry was chosen as Honorwave from a company of approximately 150 recruits. She was presented with a letter of commendation signed by Captain K. L. Nutting, USN, Commanding Officer of the Recruit Training Command at Great Lakes. A graduate of the Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Ala., she holds a B. S. degree in physical education.

FIRST NEGRO—peacetime Wave to enlist in the Navy is on duty at the Naval Air Station in San Diego. Apprentice seaman Theresa A. E. Hamilton attended Michigan State Normal College for three years. Theresa Barnes

Barres, daughter of Mr. James Barres, daughter of Mr. James Barres, of Obeylin far been and a platoon officer in Con-cany B, First, Battalion, at the Women's Army Corps Training

Women's Army Corps Training Center here.

Lieutenant Barnes first enlisted in the WAC, then the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, in December, 1942, and was separated from the Service in May, 1946. She remisted March 3, 1949, and was immediately assigned to the training center.

She served for a year overseas in England and France with the seasth Central Postal Directory.

8th Central Postal Directory. A graduate of Oberlin High School she also received her bachelor of arts degree from Howard University.

Peace and Harmony Reign After Squabble Subsides



All peace and narmony (left to right) Mary Jo Hunter, 17, Joan to right) Mary Jo Hunter, 17, of Miss Rankin told reporters at State Governor, is one of the delated that her biggest thrill while in being held at American University and Ellen Horn, 17, of Alton, Ill., are shown as they visited in the Washington. The girls are all delegates to me Citizens Training Program, sponsored by — Joan Rankin, of Cincinnati, the American Legion. Miss whose trip to Washington as a Rankin, of Nearo girl, was the delegate to the Girls' Nation content of a squabble when list evention sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary was in doubt for a while because in doubt for a while because of the Sponsors of the program at first "the indignities of social discrimidents for the program at first "the indignities of social discrimidents for the program at first "the indignities of social discrimidents when their action The 16-year-old colored dele-

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themselves when their action The 16-year-old colored dele-was criticized by various groups, gate, who was elected recently, Governor of the Ohio Girl's State, told reporters that "no unpleasant-ness has marred her visit."

"Washington is a benutiful city and to de here is a wonderful experience," she said. We are all having a grand time."

Ohio State 'Girls'

has been the center of consid-agencies.

erable controversy over her coming to Washington for the Girls' Nation meeting said is a senior at the Withrow High she is "none the worse for it." School and is particularly fond of The Ohio American Legion Auxiliary originally decided not to send Miss Rankin as one of its delegates, because it didn't want to subject her to the discrimination she might encounter in Washington because of her race.

Civic and other groups in her years ago.

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home town, the State and throughout the country protested on the grounds that it was unfair to art Rankin, 12 and Veron Jones deny Miss Rankin this opportunity. 7; and two sisters, Carol Ranity to Circimati three rears ago.

She is the eldest of five children three rears ago.

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Monday that she has been treated week. "swell" and that there have been no disagreeable incidents. When asked if she wanted to come to Washington in view of the controvers the stated. troversy, she stated:

"Of course. Any girl would like to take advantage of such an opportunity."

Miss Rankin, Buckeye girls'
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"Why I went swimming. I swam right along with the other girls and nobody thought anything about it. I have had no such trouble what-

She revealed when I talked with her on Wednesday that she and her sister State delegate, Miss

MET NO SLIGHT

Greeted by President

on White House Lawn

By WOODY L. TAYLOR

WASHINGTON

Miss Joan Rankin came to town.

The pretty 16-year-old Cincinnati high school senior who has been the center of consid-

r., 7; and two sisters, Carol Rankin, 9, and Veronica Jones.

Even the Ohio House of Representatives entered the controversy. The auxiliary relented and finally decided to let her come after assurances that she would not be discriminated against.

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ruman, Congress on Spot Over Tan Girl's D.C. Trip

Columbus, Ohio Shall seg. The national NAACP and the regation in the Nation's Capital State NAACP Conference of the used as an excuse by the Branches also urged the Auxiliary.

washington as Ohio's representative to the Girls' National As she is still hopeful the decision will be changed.

The controversy has so stirred to go and thinks the decision is reached the White House and the state and the House of Rep. dies and discrimination."

resched the White House and the unfair. She would expect preju-senate, and the House of Rep-dice and discrimination." resentatives here last week, and B. E. Slaughter, sergeant-at-claimed the interest of two na arms of the Ohio House of Repre-tional organizations.

Colored girls were elected in the resolution passed by that two or three other States, but body.

whether they have been selected It was introduced by Rep. to go to Washington has not been David M. Postlewaite, Columbus;

revealed. and Rep. Morton Neipp. Toledo. Won Over Contestants

Miss Rankin was elected recently governor of the Buckeye Girls' State sponsored by the Legion Auxiliary. She is a pupil at Withrow High School in Cincinnati.

ernors of various girls' States to attend the National Assembly in Washington.

Embarrassment Fared
Mrs. Carl W. Zeller, educational director of the girls' States, said Miss Rankin would not be sent to the Nation's Capital to represent Ohio, to save her "the embarrassment" posed by certain social discriminations there.

This decision brought a flood of protests from all over the State and nation. 7-2-45

The Ohio State Democratic League representing 10,000 col-Embarrassment Fared

League representing 10,000 colored members, joined the issue and demanded that Miss Rankin be sent to Washington.

Legislators Protest

The Legislature adopted a resolution disapproving the Legion Auxiliary's action, and requested President Truman and Congress to act in ending racial discrimina-tion in Washington.

Felix Friedman, the Legion's Fourth District commander, said in Cincinnati that he would bring the matter formally before the organization's executive commit-tee here on Aug. 5.

AVC Offers Aid

The American Veterans Committee in the Washington area informed the Legion Auxiliary that Miss Rankin would be welcomed as a guest at the AVC's non-segregated club, and pledged to secure her hotel accommodations

AVC To Continue **Forming Chapters** Nashville Delegates Going to Convention By Automobile to Avoid Jim Crow Travel

The Nashville chapter of the American Veterans Committee (AVC) will elect six delegates to the AVC national convention at its regular meeting next Wednesday, September 21. The meeting will be held at 8 p. m. at the Hadley Park recreation center.

The fourth national AVC convention will be held at the Congress Hotel in Chicago, Ill., on Thanksgiving week-end, Nov. 24-27. The Nashville delegation of both Negro and white veterans will travel to the convention by automobile in

order to avoid Jim Crow travel restrictions.

The AVC national convention is expected to instruct all AVC officers to continue to organize chappers for all World War II veterans without discrimination because of race, creed or color now that the continued independence of the A-VC is assured. The officers and members of the American Veterans Committee (AVC) had adopted that through merger with the American Veterans of World War II (Amvets) that one unified organization with a policy of non-discrimination could be formed to speak for World War II veterans. However, the Amvets in their recent convention in Des Moines, Iowa flatly rejected merger and instructed their national executive committee not to negotiate with AVC regarding merger during the coming year,

In addition to different organizational policies-Amvets approving racially segregated posts and AVC requiring intergrated chapters open to all, the Amvets have reversed their previous stand and now approve a federal bonus grab which may amount to as much as \$4500 per World War II veteran The AVC has from the beginning fought all state and federal bonuses for World War II veterans terming them "handouts" and pointing out that bonuses conflict with their slogan of "Citizens first, veterans second." The AVC national convention is expected to overwhelmingly reject any World War II

bonus.

The AVC convention is expected to again condemn the principles of Communism and the tactics of the Communist Party. AVC leaders argue that the best way to fight Communism is to implement our democratic principles and to extend democracy at home.

N. Y.) High School.

give the group a special program pressing the democratic side of

Enactment of state and local legislation to combat racial discrimination in education and civil rights was pro- of Montgomery, Ala. posed at the 4th annual state convention of AMVETS at AV Hotel Sheraton, Apr. 9-10. A resolution urging passage of House Bill No. 182 for ending segrega- Degregation ucation by the State Legislature DES MOINES, Ia. — Over the

was adopted by the several hundred of delegates.

The convention also went on passed a resolution calling for an record as favoring the passage end to well set, agailable of a civil rights bill in St. Louis. On the same day, the delegation by an almost unanimous standing two director of James L. McCul-vote, opposed a perger with the lin Post No. 6, pledged to do his American Veterons Committee (AVC). They also instructed their national executive committee not at to line up the six Amvets national executive committee not to negotiate on such matters with erties measure

nvitation to "see the demo- the members and delegates to but that a merger of the two organizations would harm AMVETS ratic side of Washington," ex-inded by the American Veterans of AMVETS of Missouri, do re-tinge" attached to AVC.

cepted yesterday by the 110 sen the human person, and do rededi-or students of the Spring Valley cate ourselves to the proposition Day, following the organization's election of officers. Among the N. Y.) High School.

The students will resist Western School and organization of the Spring Valley cate ourselves to the proposition of the Spr The students will visit Washing equal and are entitled to equal candidates for commander are on on Easter weekend. They had rights and opportunity under the Harold Russell of Watertown, reviously decided against the law; That we commend the pres-decided against the law; That we commend the pres-decided against the law; That we commend the pres-academy award for his perform-

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE. -Guy A. Pickett was installed as commander of Harris-Moseley-Tressville Post No. 4545, Neterans of Foreign Wars last week at the Recreation Center of the J .H. Washington Homes. He suc-

other Micers elected are: Alton Flening, senior vice-commander; Theodore W. Stafford, junior vice-commander; and Allen L. Searcy, quartermaster. R. S. Darnaby, who served with the American Expeditionary Forces

No. 182 adopted by the convention and sent to the Senate Comfifth national convention here.

mittee handling the bill read in Most of the Chem decared that members of the AVC could join here.

ANYETS as individual members, BE IT RESOLVED, That we, AMVETS as individual members,



Blind Vets From 21 States Hold Confab

By ALICE A. DUNNIGAN

WASHINGTON—(ANP)—The fourth annual convention of the Blinded Veterans Association ended with a ban-quet and ball in the Hall of Nations at the Washington Ho-tel last Saturday night.

Anone, several resolutions
adopted was one supporting civil
rights legislation, proby the
BVA aligned itself strongly bebind any move to further equal

hind any move to further equal apportunity for all people without

regard for race, color or creed.

The Blinded Veterans Association was founded in Avon, Conn., in March, 1945, by a group of young men who lost their sight while serving their country.
21 STATE CHAPTERS

The BVA now has twenty-one active state groups and others are in the process of formation. It has been estimated that around 1,600 men have already lost their sight due to the service-connected injuries sustained in World War II, and the number is currently increasing at the rate of 100 men per year whose blindness is a dipect result of their wartime serv-

Among the Negro veterans attending the three-day conference here last week were Willie Trotter of Camden. N. J., who is one of the charter members of the organization. Trotter spent two and a half years overseas where he saw service in England, Africa and Italy.

Others attending the conference were Robert Routh of Memphis, Tenn.; Nathanial Sutton, Tampa, Fla.; James Hope, Charles E. Hughes, William Fowler. Charles Johnson. Charles Reed and Thomas Mitchell, all of Washington.

Blinded Veterans Association

By International News Service INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.-When the 83rd and final encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic opened here this week, Joseph Cloves 105, of Pontiac, Mich. and the clast colored member of the GAR was among the six centenarians who attended the meeting.

When the destion of hotel room for Mr. Clove crose, W. Bryon Karr, manager of the hotel, and a southerner, stated: "Cloves can have any room in the hotel he wants." the 83rd and final encampment

BOYS IN BLUE

While there are 16 surviving boys in blue, only six were able to attend the group's last con-vention in the city where the or-ganization of Civil War veterans was founded in 1866.

The youngest veteran present was national commander-inhief, Theodore Penland, of reand, Ore., who is a mere
of The oldest is James A.
hart of Rochester, N. Y., 108.
Oran present were ducles hape, 1010 hong Beach, Cal., pert Barrett, 155 of Princen, Ky., and Albert Woolson, of Duluth, Minn.
A proposal that at least one me encant ment be held in custimate with the United ontederate Veteraps, was receed by the GAR's permanent per etary Miss Cora Gillis, on a grounds that the survivors of the sides of the Civil War The youngest veteran present

oth sides of the Civil War te too old to meet again.

Grand Army of the Republic Civil War Veterans

THE GENERAL'S RIGHT HAND MAN LOCATED



Henry Clay Williams, who was a member of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's personal household staff in Europe, looking over some pictures of the General Commander of the Allied Expeditionary Forces, after he was found on Saturday. The search for the former private began when the General wrote the newly formed National Association of Combas Units for help in finding his handyman.

Associated Press Wirephoto

m Roberts, 49, famous Word trator for all war bond sales. ar I hero, and his wife, Mrs. A native of Clinton, he was

Roberts was one of the first Bethune Cookman College.

merican soldiers to win the
ench Croix de Guerre medal. He nd the late Pvt. Henry Johnson f New York killed twenty-four ermans while on guard duty in urope in World War I.

World War I Veteran Worked for Treasury NEWARK

Private funeral services were held at the Whigham Funeral Home on High St., on Friday, for Benjamin F. Seldon, who lived at 269 Elmwood Ave., East Orange. Mr. Seldon was employed by



Benjamin F. Selden

the Treasury Department's bond sales division here. During the war, he was a member of the war, he was a member of the war bond sales unit headed by William Pickens, and was assigned as deputy New Jersey adminis-William Pickens, and was assigned as deputy New Jersey adminis-

A native of Clinton, he was educated in Montclair, at Phillips Exeter Academy, Columbia and Harvard Universities, and Toulound them hanging from a after the basewast she bound the World War I and later taught in France.

This is a very hard letter to write. Neadham and I are going together. It is best that way the is innocent of any charge grainst him."

The note referred to a charge molesting a little girl in a meatre for which he was to appear of WPA adult teachers in New Family Court a half hour after Jersey, a Freehold principal, and

Family Court a half hour afterJersey, a Freehold principal, and was found dead. dean at North Carolina State and

Eisenhower Recalls Soldiers' Loyalty

World War II, written by General vides irrefutable proof of the loyalof the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower ty of our Negro troops.

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ablished in the European and Afri-Europe and Africa. an Theater of Operation during World War II by members of miority races. I am deeply grateful o you for allowing me to present hese views by letter as an alternave to appearing before your comhittee because I am committed, in response to requests from the Secretary of Defense, to join a conference at White Sulphur Springs

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CITES EXPERIENCE

"While I do not have the statistics with me, it is my recollection that more than 400,000 soldiers of the Negro race served under my command in Europe alone. Many more thousands were in the North African area. Had there been any general unrest, disloyalty or unwillingness to serve, the grave results could not have escaped spectacular notice and sensational reporting by the press.

"I think, therefore, in addition to the testimony of individuals like myself, General Spaatz, General Bradlev. as well as many others

WASHINGTON, D. C .- (NNPA) - who were called upon to carry The text of the letter concerning heavy command responsibilities, you the loyalty of colored soldiers in have a historical record which pro-

Georgia, chairman of the House I have seen or experienced nothing Un-American Activities Committee, I have seen or experienced nothing since the close of hostilities that "Dear Congressman Wood: I have leads me to believe that our Negro your letter of June 30 asking that population is not just as worthy of I present to your committee my its American citizenship as it proves comment on the logalty record estimated in the logalty record estimated and Africa.

> Sincerely, "Dwight D. Eisenhower."

G. I. Exposes Bias In Armed Forces Located in Japan

A Negro infantryman, now serving in Japan, wrote the New York Age recently complaining of the great amount of discrimination still prevalent in the Army despite Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson's order banning Jim Crow. The GI, who signs his name, but failed to give his rank, stated in his letter that he had no fear of our printing it. The letter follows:

(signed) Harold R. Austin (4478)

"Sirs: Just was lucky to receive one of your papers. Really is fine. The edition was old but nice reading. I am writing you in reference to a serious condition which exists here. This is an all Negro outlit and as far as all records go we are the tops here. However, the fact remains that not one Negro officer holds an important field office.

"True we have three Negro officers who command a company, but that's about all. The rest are white. The Regimental Headquarters has three on the staff. The Military Government team here has no Negroes on it at all. Their excuse is that we are not qualified. The hospital has no Negro soldiers or doctors on their staff and to top it there are places where they won't permit us to go.

"They have technical rules which sover these banned places. This place is worse than Georgia it some instances. They are doing to good job over here of showing the spanese people we are inferior

"We need your help. You can help by just printing my letter in the paper with my name. What happens to me is of minor importance but the folks should know Mr. Johnson's program is not clicking here, and all because these people from certain sections of our nation are so bigoted and prejudiced. We go to some schools and we eat and sleep in the same outfits and nothing happens. We get along well. However some people are afraid.

"Please print this letter and let the people know just what is happening and I swear I will stand on what I have written."

Sincerely,

Co. D 24 Infantry Regiment APO 25, Unit 2 c/o PM, San Francisco, Cal.

They Made It...

Prepared When His Chance Came, well poised man—makes good impressions—bright, intelligent and well groomed—there is always a job available for the individual of this quality." Now Former GI On Way To Success

EDITOR'S NOTE This is one of a series of arti-des on Negro integrated into skilled and professional jobs in industry through the efforts of the National Urban League, and its 54 branches. The series deals with the individual efforts of job applicants and educative advisory work of league officials that have resulted in doors being opened to jobs never held

by Negroes. By MEL J. HUMPHREY Milwaukee Urban League

MILWAUKEE, Wis .- Would you like to trade places with Clarence Green, an electrician's apprentice of Milwaukee, Wisconsin? in case you are interested, he is the first member of his race to be employed in this capacity by the Wisconsin Electric Company,

Establishing a precedent is a trademark of the Green family. father, 33 years ago, was one of the first Negro railroad electricians for the Chesapeake and Chio Railroad Company. His brother, against overwhelming odds, became a registered pharmacist. Clarence, following is the tradition of his family, has a steadly climbing to the top of the ladder.

The war came along and inter-

rupted his education. He spent four years in the Army and rose to the rank of sergeant. While in the Army, he familiarized himself

as a result of his interest in com-night. He was so diligent in his Passes Tests
munications, he became a com-school work and anxious to obsorb. The industrial relations secretary
munications switch-board opera-as much as possible that he develwith contacts throughout the intor and repairman.
Studied Under GI Bill

found himself in the city of Mil-in this field. waukee with no particular goal in Although disappointed by this special favors. He went through sight. He went to work for the incident but far from being dis-the regular procedures of filling Chain Belt company and when he couraged, he immediately set out out application blanks and taking was caught in a general lay-off, he to find a job.

With little or no success in his skill.

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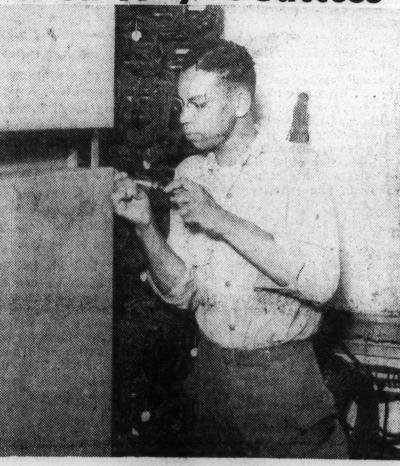
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When this job closed down, ment, he found his way to industest. On the test designed to test Green decided to take advantage trial relations department of the his mechanical comprehension, he of the educational opportunities of Milwaukee Urban League. Green, scored 97, which meant that he fine G. I. Bill of Rights. He imon the basis of his previous experimediately enrolled in a practical ence and education, was placed in On the electric test, he scored 99, electricity curriculum at the Milthe Pilot Placement Project (the which meant that he understood waukee School of Engineering.

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CLARENCE J. GREENE with communication systems, and and worked at A. O. Smith at adequate employment).

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cian's helper. Green has done praiseworthy work throughout the city of Milwaukee. After being with the company for over six months, Arnold Neilson, training director of the company, had this to say about Green, "Unusually

HASHINGTON, May 6—(Special) Thousands of World War II veterans in Ohio, and others throughout the world received glad tidings last Wednesday when a top-ranging offic ial of the Veterans' administration announced that the gov for filing a claim for disability ernment was preparing to divide between all the veterans compensation or pension. who has, or has had NSLI (National Service Life Insurance), a dividend intexcess of two billion dollars

Government insurance experts declare the cuts will depend upon the amount. type, and length of policy the veteran es up to July 25, 1949.30 nd held. He also said that dividends would average about \$125 for each person who held his NSLI for three months or more allowances until two years after during World War II and up through 1947

Actually, payments will vary from less than a dollar, toer, no readjustment allowances several hundred dollars. Beneficiaries of GI insured person-are payable after July 25, 1962. nel killed during World War II. also are included in the payoff.

The VA is having to hurdle numerous obstacles to launch the tremendous job of distribution. Thousands of temporary and special employes are being processed and trained to tabulate each policy. The VA has also settled on a media that will reach about 10 million ex servicemen holding lapsed policies, also to receive consideration

Latest statistics show that only 1,612450 persons hold permanent NSLI, while 5,580.550 retained their war "term" insurance. After initial payments, officials said that dividends would be paid on an annual basis on premiums paid during the previous year. This would cover those person who contracted for NSLI after 1947.

A policyholder's share is to be computed as of the poli-

cy's anniversary date and payment made thereafter.

latre than July 25, 1956. The exceptions from the general rule Educational Benefits are veterans who enlisted or re-enlisted before October 6, 1946. There are a number of impor-These men figure deadlines on tant deadline dates on G-I Bill G-I Bill benefits from the date benefits which World War II vet-of their discharge and may start erans should keep in mind, Waco and complete their training later Veterans Administration officials than other veterans. point out. Although none of these Veterans may apply for guar-

are in the immediate offing, they anteed or insurance G-I Loans are listed for the veteran's infor-for the use of buying or building mation. 30 20 homes, farms or business up un-

G-I education and training til July 25, 1957. An. 49 benefits have two deadlines, one Although the deadline for reto enter training and another to instating lapsed G-I Insurance uncomplete training. Education or der the easy reinstatement terms training must be started within is passed (July 31, 1948) that four years after discharge or by does not mean that veterans with July 25, 1951, whichever is later. lapsed term insurance cannot re-

As a general rule, education or instate. Lapsed National Service training must be completed not Life Insurance term policies can be reinstated any time before ex-

Veterans Rehabilitation DOLLAR INSURANCE piration of the term. If they have lapsed more than three months a physical examination is required.

> There is no deadline on the time a veteran has to apply for medical care or hospitalization.

He may do this any time during his life. The same holds true

Veterans who were discharged on or before July 25, 1947, can apply for readjustment allowance

their date of discharge. Howev-



PARAPLEGIC-Navy veteran to receive a federal grant for home construction is 32-year-old Stacey Allen Benton, of San Diego, shown above with his wife, Geneviewe. Ground was broken for the Bentons' new \$25,000 three bedroomtwo bath-home last week. In the rear will be a garage for Benton's specially equipped automobile which he drives himself, and adjoining the garage will be the veteran's exercise room.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (NNPA)—eral Bradley, as well as many other text of the letter concerning the loyalty of colored soldiers in world War II, written by General of the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower to Representative John S. Wood, of Georgia chairman of the House Un-American Activities Committee, follows:

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PAST TESTIMONY

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the Negro race served under my EX-HANDY MAN LOOKS AT PICTURES OF EX-BOSS

tacular notice and sensational re- Chicago, Oct. 30 (P)—Memo tochicago's Post Office. General Dwight D. Eisenhower: Former Pvt. Henry Clay Wil-

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is married and lives at 4933

Prania Avenue.

He has no telephone. But a friend said that he is saite excited" at hearing you are looking for him and that he was getting ready to send you a tele-

The search for Williams began when Eisenhower woote the newly formed National Associa-tion of Combat Units for Jelp in locating his handy man. One of the objectives of the new orpanization is to set up a clearing house of present addresses so that men who fought in the last war can locate each other.

The search for Williams gained impetus with an Associated Press story from Washington vesterday saying that Eisenhower had written the association for help.

In Dallas, a friend of Williams heard of the search on a newscast and phone station WFAA to say that Williams was in Chicago and could be reached there through a friend, Jack Thomas.

Thomas told the Associated Press last night that Williams has no phone. "But," he added, "I heard the story on the radio and told him about it.

"He was quite excited and said he was going to send General Eisenhower a telegram."

Thomas said Williams came to Chociga from California.

IMOre made several crossings to England and France, making homeport

the cargo carrier Old Dominion State, which operated during the war the Liberty Ship John H. Murphy, was docked at the port of Baltiore last week for the first time in two years.

FIRST BALTIMORE VISIT SINCE '47:

Former Murphy Ship Docks at Md. Port

BALTIMORE

Since being renamed, she has

Without the fanfare which heralded her wartime launching as the Liberty Ship John H. Murphy, the ship now renamed the Old Dominion State spent last week at anchor in the port of Baltimord the ship was launched on Mar. 29,
This was the first time she led Murphy in honor of the founder ing in coastwise (making stops at of the AFRO-AMERICAN Newsvarious ports along the coast) papers.

rom a foreign port, the chip arrived here Newston the Penn She was then under the command of a colored captain. Cap
Maryl 10 3teamship Corporation. mand of a colored captain. Cap
The 10,000-ton vessel was docked in John Godfrey of Brooklyn
the B. and O. Railroad Pier 7N.Y., and had a mixed crew of of
Locust Point, until Saturday when cers. sailed again for Europe car. Carrying wartime supplies to a general cargo of freight. American service men overseas, is under the command oshe made 11 hazardous crossings to the M. Yost, with a crew of Europe. pt. H. M. Yost, with a crew of Europe.

I men, including 6 colored who Her last voyage as the Murphy was completed Nov. 1, 1946, when Built at the Bethlehem-Fairfieldshe logged 3,887 miles inbound

invards, at a cost of \$1,000,000 from Rotterdam.

Norfolk and Baltimore AT HOME AND OVERSEAS

hat the GIs Are Doing

PETERSBURG, Va. - Twenty-sixaffairs.

students of the Reserve Officers Heavy Mortar Company won Training Corps at Virginia State the coveted "E" Flag award, in-College recently completed training a the summer camp conducted The company is commanded by at Camp Lee, Va. These men were Capt, Clifford Allen, Chicago, Ill.

their home schools with a com-winning dayroom. prehensive approach to leadership in order to qualify them as ers in the United

Cacets are eligible to oecome steward. The award is based second lieutenants in the Quarter upon mess hall appearance and master Corps had admpletion of two terms of advance study at their college and one summer at the First Lieut. Dan V. Snedecor. ROTC Summer Camp.

Wilbur M. Cameron Jr., Rich-

a specia! commissioning exercise by Brig. Gen. Joseph P. Sullivan, Gifu, Japan, for the United States depot commander of the Jefferson Quartermaster Depot.

College who attended the summer graduate school of the University Robert E. Nichols, Donald L. Rob. of Nebraska. inson, Milvin Simpson and Hubert During World War II Lieutenant Youngblood, all of Norfolk, Va.; Snedecor served with the Ninety Richard B. Deyo and Harold Gillis, third Infantry Division from Jan-Petersburg, Va.; Edward C. Arren-uary, 1944, to January, 1946, in the dale, Louisburg, N. C.; Alvin C. South Pacific Theatre. Hooper, Hampton, Va.; Ollie W. Cutler, Newsoms, Va.; Floyd W. M/Sgt. and Mrs. John O. Her-Francis, Newport News, Va.; Rich-ard G. Gilmore, Milford, Conn.; nounced the birth of a daughter, David B. Goble, Mar'n, Va.; Ben- Betty Louise, born last month at jamin Hairston, Martinsville, Va.; the Thirty-fifth Station Hospital, Dossie N. Jones, Freeman, Va.; David L. Moore, Cullen, Va.; Ollie C. Hines, Stony Creek, Va.; James Master Sergeant Herring is the H. Myrick, Suffolk, Va.; Raymondfirst sergeant of Company "M" H. Parker, Bedford, Va.; Milton S Twenty-fourth Infantry Regiment Reid, Hickory, Va.; Harold S. Taliaferro, Middlsesex, Va., and Paul W. Thomas, Esmont, Va. 30%

FAR EAST COMMAND

The Twenty-fourth Infantry Regiment recently announced the winners of the "Best" contests held last month at Camp Gifu.

La., was selected as the "Best Soldents at the Air Transportability dier of the Month" at an inspec-School, Command and Staff tion of candidates for the award. Course at Yamato, Japan. Dillon was chosen for his appearance, knowledge of military sub-

a part of the 690 students who at Company "D" won the plaque for tended the camp from colleges and universities throughout that of supplementing the theoretical instructions received by the cadets at Wickits Kong is in charge of the tions received by the cadets at Wichita, Kan., is in charge of the

> The "Best Mess Hall" award was given to the 567th Engineer Service Company. Sfc. Leslie Wilson, Chicago, Ill., is the mess

Tallulah, La., member of the Twen On the last day of the camp, ty-fourth Infantry Regiment, has mond, Va., a student at Virginia been recently assigned the duties State College, was commissioned as Regimental Troop Information cond lieutenant in the Quarter- and Education Officer. Lieutenant master Corps Reserve. The com- Snedecor replaces Capt. Langstor missions were presented during Caldwell who is departing Camp

Lieutenant Snedecor is a graduate of Southern University, Ba-Other cadets from Virginia State ton Rouge, La., and attended the

Kyoto, Japan. .

First Lieut. Joseph F. Jewett, Pasadena, Calif.; First Lieut. Paul F. Maricio, East Riverdale, Md.; Second Lieut. Robert Warren Jr., Houston, Tex., and Second Lieut. Alexander H. Hunt, Corpus Christi, Tex., all members of the Twenty-fourth Infantry Pvt. Austine Dillon, New Orleans, were recently assigned as stu-Regiment, at Camp Gifu, Japan,

Polio - Stricker ran Moves

Refuses to Let Handicap Keep Him From Dream

Former Officer Builds Residence

WASHINGTON
A new chapter in the book "In Spite o Handicaps," was written when the home of a paraplegic veteran, Albert M. Raymond, was completed at 1516 Girard St., N.E., Raymond, who is 32, became a victim of infantile paralysis from the waist down while serving as a little wider opening and closing.

Control of his chair which rolled a master's degree at Catholic University before the war. He was a statistical clerk in the Department of Labor before going has a good many special features into the service.

The doors are a little wider Mr. Raymond was inducted in than usual to allow easy entrance May, 1941, and assigned to the and exit with his wheelchair and First Army Engineers, stationed at are of the sliding type for easy ft. Belvoir. He was a master sergeant within six months after the waist down while serving as a first lieutenant in Italy during.

World War II.

handicap keep him from realizing his deram of building a home for He has to be lifted into the in the Army on July 1, 1942. hathtub which is of standard size.

of special housing for paraplegic and applied for VA special house veterans, Raymond already had ing shortly afterward. He received embarked on his dream by pur the grant last January.

chasing the land before the VA It contains three bedrooms, a was called.

makes it the first to be built for He refuses to let his handicap area. His is also the first to be the length of the house. built for a colored veteran out At present he is parish secreof a total of 228 such houses tary for his church, Calvary erected throughout the country Episcopal 11th and C Sts., N.E. under the program.

stories high to accommodate his Rehabilation Program Planned parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert L. Since Albert's legs are almost Raymond, everything for the paralyzed, he has taken no former lieutenant is on the first rehabilitation training. floor and perfectly level so that The AFRO learned from the VA. out-of-doors.

No Ramps after Crash Up He did not want ramps, as have He was stricken with polio in heel chair down one at a hospi-could get transportation home. al where he was stationed.

He left there in October, 1945, and was sent to Halloran General Hospital, Staten Island, N.Y., where he was until 1946.

From Halloran General he was sent to Hot Springs. He was retired from the service on disability Sept. 22, 1947.

Mr. Raymond has been in his house about three weeks now. He is a native of Chicago and came to Adaptable to Wheel-Chair Life Washington in 1933. He received Not being too strong in his arms, a B.S. degree from Miner Teachers By WOODY L. TAYLOR as a result of the polio, he lost College in 1938 and did work on WASHINGTON control of his chair which rolled a master's degree at Catholic Uni-

The mirror and wash bowls inentering the service and was part

first lieutenant in Italy during the mirror and wash bowls included the 95th Engineer Regiment. However, he refused to let his face and hands while in his chair School at Camp Lee, Va., and was sandicap keep him from realizing is deram of building a home for

while this home was built with the assistance of the Veterans Administration under its program Administration under its program Raymond bought his lot last May

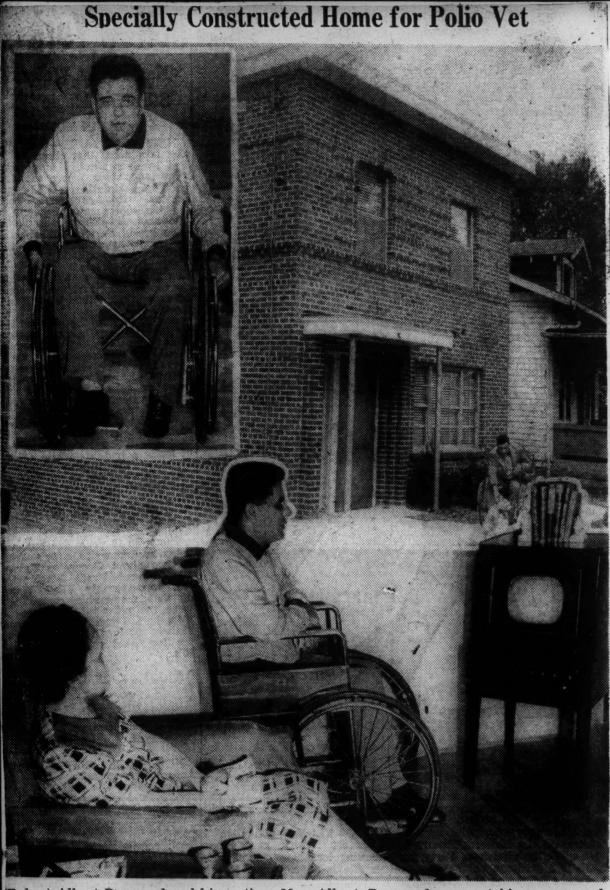
living room, where he and his First Built in District parents enjoy a new television Completion of Raymond's home set; a den for Albert.

a paraplegic veteran in the District keep him from being active. There of Columbia and the third in the is a sunroom on one side that runs

He uses a typewriter and does con-Although the house is built-two siderable work by telephone.

e will have no difficulty getting however, that efforts are being and out of rooms and in and made through the regional office here to work something out for him.

been put in some such hoouses, be August of 1945 while stationed at cause of an almost disastrous mis-Pisa, Italy. He was in the hospital hap he had while manipulating his there for two months before he



(Below) Albert Raymond and his mother, Mrs. Albert Raymond, are watching a new television set recently purchased for their new GI home at 1513 Girard St., N.E., Washington. Raymond, a paraplegic veteran, purchased the land and financed the home through the VA Special Housing program. He was a first lieutenant in World War II and was stricken with polio in Italy shortly after the Italian Campaign. (INSET) Mr. Raymond. Above is a view of the 6-room home built through the VA special home plan. Everything is built on a flat level for his benefit.

Heroes of So-Called Airlift to Berlin Stewart Suggests Changing Name to Include

Ground Crew Men Who Get Goods to Pilots
By OLLIE STEWART

FRANKFURT, Germany—For more than a year most of the civilized world has been reading about, and seeing pictures of, the Berlin Airlift. I wish to say here and now that the operation has been mis-named. 18-49

It should be called the Berlin Gnound-Air Lift. For what happens in the air from Frankfurt to Berlin, or from Wickbaden to Everything the pilot flies into Berlin in his plane has been hauled up to the plane in a truck—driven by a colored soldier.

And to my mind, after following a truck from the time it picks up a load from the freight car; to

ing a truck from the time it picks up a load from the freight car; to the time it unloads into the belly of a waiting plane, the man who performs the ground part of the lift has a more difficult job than the man who does his part in the air. Let 8-49

For emphasis, I should like to say once again that the entire operation should be included in Berlin, also happens on the ground in a truck. And one part of the operation would be futile without the other.

were among the 1,470 members of Fayard Street, Biloxi, Mississippi; the Army to receive appointments Captain William R. Reid, 2102 as Warrant Officers Junior Grade Maryland Avenue, N. E., Washingin the Regular Army recently. The ton. D. C.; Master Sergeant Homer appointments were the result of ex. L. Rickerson, 3024 Huntsville Road, aminations given to more than 5,200 Birmingham, Alabama; Capiain

Second Lieutenant William H. Bryant, 1907 Manton Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Captain Rothwell H. Burke, 1461 Redfield Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Sergeant Fublic Health Nursing and associate professor of Nursing Educated Class Chauncey B. Cummings. First Class Chauncey B. Cummings, cation at Meharry Medical college, 222 Forest Avenue, Macon, Georgia; was recently awarded the Com-Master Sergeant Royal Deemer, monwealth fund's fellowship Scotlandville, Louisiana; Captain
Alec Dorsey, 621 Houston Street, Atlanta, Georgia; Master Sergeant
Lacy W. Faust. 236 Osborn Street,

Description of the control of the Rossford, Ohio; Sergeant First Class gent School of Physical Education Alvin L. Forguson, Salt Lake City. (Boston University) and taught Utah; Captain Joseph Gates, 2200 physical education at Tuskegee Madison Avenue, New York, N. Y.; Institute, Ala., 1921-23. She then First Lieutenant Christian M. embarked on a stage careel, sing-George, 414 Twelfth Street, Hick-ory, North Carolina; Master Ser-like "Flying Colors" and Lew geant Oscar G. Grammer, 1351 An-Leslie's "Blackbirds," in 1923, he thony Street, New Orleans, Louisi-ana; Master Sergeant Lee A. pretation of spirituals at Symp Graves, 1803 Van Buren Street, Toeka, Kansas; Sergeant First Class Julian Hight, 113 Jefferson Avenue, Brooklyn, New York; First Lieutenant Perry J. Johnson, 2604 Indiana Avenue, Chicago, Illinois: Captain Woodrow W. Knox, 4315 Page Avenue, St. Louis, Misouri; Master Sergeant Franklin L. Manning, Kings Mountain, North Carolina; Captain Lester McCants, 620 South 13th Avenue, Maywood, Illinois; Master Sergeant Edward A. Mencer, 308 Chestnut Street, N. W., Atlanta, Georgia.

Also, Master Sergeant Jimmie D. Morton, Franklin, Tennessee; Ser-geant First Class Charles H. Motte, Okmulgee, Oklahoma; Sergeant First Class Donell Newsom, 6118 Whitewood Street, Detroit, Michiran; First Lieutenant George D. Nicholas, 1247 North 60th Street, Philadelphia, Pensylvania; First

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Forty-two Fourteenth Street, Des Moines, Iowa; Negro officers and enlisted men First Lieutenant Joseph Quave, 810 oplicants for the warrants. John C. Robinson, 1520 East Monu-Master Sergeant George A. Augus-ment Street, Baltimore, Maryland; in, 2736 St. Ann Street, New Or-Master Sergeant Thomas J. Simans, Louisiana; Sergeant First mons, New London, Connecticut; Class George W. Barnes, 820 Lindy Sergeant First Class Henry E. Class George W. Barnes, 820 Lindy Sergeant First Class Henry E. Street, Lincoln Heights, Ohio; First Simms, Tuskegee, Alabama; Ser-Lieutenant Albert L. Barringer, 1050 geant First Class Benjamin F. North Fifth Street, Birmingham, Smith, 609 Twenty-fifth Street, Alabama; Captain Sylvester R. Bly, 2206 Vermont Street, Gary, Indiana; First Lieutenant William H. Straw-Captain William A. Bobo, 429 West Captain William A. Bobo, 429 West Cote Brilliante Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri; First Lieutenant Jefferson Lace, 810 South 10th Avenue, Tuckey Captain Lawrence Wallace, 810 South 10th Avenue, Tuckey Captain William H. Straw-Captain William H. S. Boone, 483 East 170th Street, son, Arizona; First Lieutenant Charles H. Borican, Jr., 23 O'Connor Avenue, Staten Island, New York; Saten Island, Ne

42 Are Appointed Warrant Officers

Washington-Forty-two Negro Officers and enlisted men were among the 1,470 members of the Army to receive appointments as Warrant Officers Junior Grade in the Regular Army recently. The appointments were the result of examinations given to more than 5,200 applicants for the warrants.

Washington-Master Sergeant Thomas J.Simmons, New London, Conn., amember of the Headquarters Detachment, Joint Chiefs of Staff, was sworn in as a Warrant Officer, Junior Grade, United States Army, in ceremonies held at

The Pentagon here last week.

Warrant Officer Simmons was promoted to Master Sergeant on August 1 and was notified on the same day of his appointment as Warrant Officer Junior Grade in the Regular Army.

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Quick Glances Here, There and Everywhere

the waited states Marine Corps in China. He participated in the Marine Expedition and Yangtze River Service while in China and upon reached this country from Berlin, there has been no return to the United States he left mention whatever of the Negro troops on duty in the the Marine Corps to serve with the lormer Reich capital as military policemen. But they Illinois, Indiana and Tayas Nation. former Reich capital as military policemen . . . But they Illinois, Indiana and Texas Nationare there and have been all the while, turning in a master al Guard Units of the Army of the Army At the beginning of World War II Lieutenant Colonel Bennett was as-

little, if any, credit. signed as a student at the Infantry sia is laughing up her sleeve at the comedy of School at Fort Benning, Georgia. In Atomic Energy Commission which has allowed March, 1944, he was sent to the white people, of course—to receive fat Mediterranean Theatre of Operator attend universities teaching the study of ion commander in the 3rd Infantry argy, while not allowing Negro students, sons Division during the Rome-Arno shters of absolutely loyal Americans, to even campaign and the Anglo beachhead attend these same universities which are receiving funds operation. He returned to the United States Government for the operation of served as an instructor in the Illithese nuclear study programs. Some of those dollars are nois State Senior Organized Reserve coming out of the pockets of Negroes ... taxation with-at Chicago. out representation . . . Reason: the nineteen schools are Lieutenant Colonel Bennett holds Dixie schools, members of the Oak Ridge Institute of the Marine Good Conduct Medal, Nuclear Studies, Inc., chartered under the laws of the Yangtze Service Medal, the Bronze State of Tennessee sub! And AEC Chairman David E State of Tennessee, suh! And AEC Chairman David E. Star Medal and the Purple Heart. Lilienthal is still silent on what-about-us . . . and the He is a graduate of the Dixie rotten racial discrimination in Oak Ridge, Tenn., birth-School of Law and the University of place of the atom bombo

THINGS ARE HUMMING on the Dark Continent" of Africa where big nations are jeckeying like mad for points of vantage from which they may deminate the scene should global warfare engulf the world—as we know it today. Colonials in Nigeria, Kenya, on the Gold Coast, in Rhodesia, South Africa and on the eastern coast of the continent where ships ply their way north from Cape Horn to reach waters carrying trade and commerce for China, India and the lush Mediterranean areas are beginning to express their dissatisfaction over being mere "pawns" in the international chess game.

The Courier's George S. Schuyler, on a multi-thousand-mile tour of South America, is keenly pointing up the growing rise of color-consciousness on that continent, in Brazil, Argentina, Chile, Peru, Colombia and even semi-desolate Paraguay and Ecuador. Mr. Schuyler vividly points out, also, the increased interest being taken by women of color in activities of all sorts in that colorful and romantic land far to the South . . . American Negroes, so indifferent to the plight of fellow-humans of darker skins, would be wise to read Mr. Schuyler and seek to interpret the relationship of these tendencies to our own here in the U. S. Jak. 6-4-49

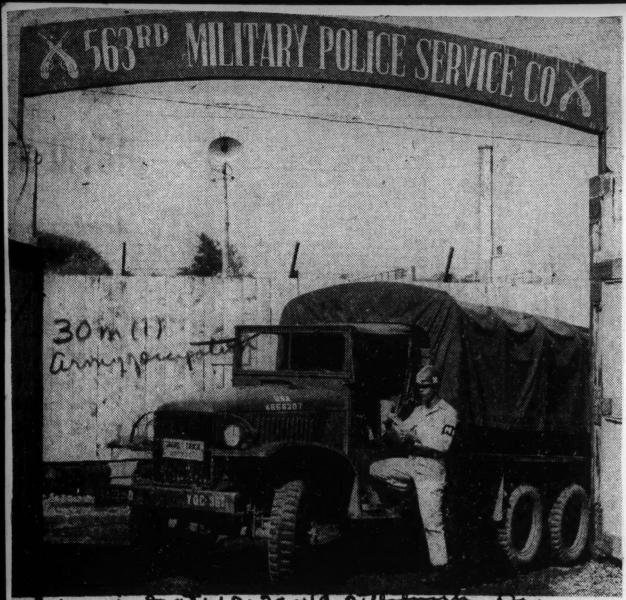
The natural and instinctive leaning of white people

towards other white people should certainly hold no less strong import between dark-skinned peoples all over the world . . . just in case World War IV comes before the

present generation has passed from the scene.

ormer Marine To mosa, Chicago, Illinois, former instructor with the Illinois Sanior Orstructor with the Illinois Sanior Organized Reservey was recently assigned as executive officer of the

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY AT24th Infantry Regiment, at Samp OSAKA, Japan—Lieutenant Colonel Gifu, Japan. Lieutenant Colonel Bennett entered the military service in 1924 with



ON DUTY IN JAPAN-Corp. James L. Bul- at the entrance to the base of the 563rd MP lock of Henderson. N. C., checks a trip ticket Company in Yokohama, Japan.—Army Photo.

By OLLIE STEWART

HEIDELBERG, Germany — The significant thing in the over-all picture of Germany, in the post-war year of 1949, is that certain gains achieved since the war have not been lost during this period of transition.

If anything, to my way of thinking and from what I have heard from people living and working here, these gains are more secure now than at any time since the fall

There is always a ce-tain amount of speculation and rehension about who will the axe when there is a change of administration

But from the o ower's reign at the I. G. Farben B igh the terms of McNarney. her, the set of the colored soldier and colored has constantly improved.

e credit for this goes to Lt. Col. Marcus D. Ray, who been advisor to whatever general was in command, for a number of years. But most of all, the credit goes to the soldiers for their conduct, and to the civilian workers for the job they have done.

And the best proof that something approaching "democracy" can be found in Germany today, is the fact that lmost nobody wants to go back to the USA.

I have been impressed by what I have seen—for in the past few weeks I have seen individuals holding down jobs f responsibility they would grow old and gray trying to get in the States. They got these jobs on ability, alone; they hold them by virtue of their intelligence, tact and feeling that they are as good as anybody else.

24th, an Excellent Example

Among Army units there are some like the 24th Transwas a year ago. I visited one companded by white officers. I pany recently that had not had a know the reason. I know that this single case of VD in six months, is part of the American pattern—whose word can have a whole ship in the part of the average GI isn't interested sing sent to the 24th to studyfelt it wasn't proper and safe to sing sent to the 24th to studyfelt it wasn't proper and safe to sing sent to the 24th to studyfelt it wasn't proper and safe to sing sent to the 24th to studyfelt it wasn't proper and safe to sing sent to the 24th to studyfelt it wasn't proper and safe to sing sent to the 24th to studyfelt it wasn't proper and safe to safe to safe to safe to sections, whose word can almost 200 men anywhere. If the wants a change. The soldiers have learned that won't stop beefing until he get to get a steady girl friend. They have less VD, they have an adjusted sex life, and in many cases or nurses in the hospitals. There are no colored enlisted men aster able to save more money.

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This technique will undoubtedly e used by the Army Transporta

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But all along, IRO has used col-because the number of babies that have PX's used mainly by col
stimate its importance. It's a real But all along, in the state of the ontribution.

Rapid Changes to Civilian cupation, rather than the military, wanted and have usually been Germany as a whole, though, is

civilian authorities. The change is marry the mother, or his job in marketing and money on the side a few have faded away. But on basic with the coming of High Comyears, and he has arranged to care issues, I heard much less computation merely as a task force. The mother is already called time in the Reich.

The colored strength is almost Mrs. Jones before the child is one-fourth over the 10% quota born—and no two people could for Germany which was set at the be more devoted than some of beginning of the accuration but these couples. beginning of the occupation, but these couples. will be brought down to normal by the end of the summer.

the quota.

The men must like it. They en if you want a child bad enough. list for as long as they can in The most discouraging aspect Germany— then raise holy hell of the occupation is the continued when they have to leave.

Segregation at Minimum

Over and over again I have
They work hard, but they are been asked: "Where are the colpaid and well taken care of. In a ored officers? Why do we have few months, they will be better to have white officers after all paid than they are today. There is these years? Can't somebody do segregation, yes—but there is less something about it?' of the segregation evil in Germany From what I've seen, I should

than in the USA.

used by the Army Transporta. Since last year, a colored educa-he'd had enough to drink—but Cross field directors.

There is a need for more decays and has been and Zone—a job comparable to the special streak. I've seen girls the dispensaries of the all-colored snatch a soldier's pocketbook when units. There are only two Red corps in future wars or peace to has been put in charge of all still wanted to spend.

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ored personnel in top jobs at its being born is becoming less. Both ored. eadquarters in Bad Kissengen, the soldiers and the girls are get-

more to bring children into the From the point of view of the 3

Adoption Picture

Once again, I should like to em Frankly, I think the colored phasize that the older Brown soldier in Germany today has Babies cannot be adopted by regood life. I think this because a mote control. You have to come to most every one I have talked to Germany if you want one! You has told me so. More men want to yourself have to be investigated, be stationed in Germany today and have the child put on the than can be taken care of under German quota. It will take time ind money, but may be worth it

shortage of colored officers.

say that just about half the col-The VD problem is not what it ored units in Germany today are was a year ago. I visited one com-commanded by white officers. 1

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The problem of Brown Babies colored librarians. More men are

Colored performance from the state commissioner of education in the special second colored librarians.

More men are needed to manage Food Inspectors

I have seen colored inspectors and without discrimination in re-ting smarter.

I have seen colored inspectors ponsible posts throughout the They don't think it is cute any only one colored dentist. At least six more should be said to be a six more should be said to be said to be a six more should be said to be six more should be on the job over

It is the opinion of just about everybody (including the kids) that the Army should not send so many untrained youngsters over here. It has been suggested that these 18, 19 and 20-year-olds be given at least one year of training in the States before being assigned to overseas duty.

Rapid Changes to Civilian world, when their future is ter-taxpayer, it is too expensive to upon the civilian aspect of the oc. The ones being born now are foreign the start in a graph of the oc.

remain these next few years only planned for. Either the man is much better for the soldiers than to enforce the policies of the soon to leave Germany and can last year or the year before. Black six civilian authorities. The change is marry the mother, or his job in marketing and money on the side six civilian authorities.

Keep Vehicles Rolling

A big part of the unit's work is at 1551 Woodyear; Cpl. James Fox, maintenance. The trucks and trail 1721 W. Franklin St., who helped ers, rolling in all kinds of weatherme locate some men; Pvt. James and getting all kinds of treatment, Clay, 236 N. Arlington; and Pfc. must be kept in usable condition at all times.

From Washington

Washingtonians were every at limes.

For this purpose the battalion Washington

Washingtonians were every at strategic places, plus carpenter, know how to get and hold jobs at welders, paint and tire repair show headquarters.

Wherever needed.

Stard Transportation Truck Co.—

1st Lt. Booker T. Williams, commanding, Los Angeles; 1st Lt. Ralph B. Harrington, Suffield, Conn.; 1st Lt. Richard B. Davis, Augusta, Ga.: 1st Lt. Clyde H. Reinehart, New Orleans: 2nd Lt. Harvey D. Dickerson Truck Co.—

Capt. William H. Walker, Tuscon, Ariz., commanding; Lt. Mack L. Harvey at strategic places, plus carpenter, know how to get and hold jobs at Welders, paint and tire repair show headquarters.

Among those I talked to were

wherever needed. There are repair shops at each Pvt. Francis Smith, 1250 First St. airbase, four filling stations in S.W.; Pfc. Howard Alfred, 522 Frankfurt, and a gas dump at Kenyon St., N.W.; Pvt. Carl J. Red-Rhine/Main. at Kenyon St., N.W.; Pvt. Carl J. Red-man, 4850 Jay St., N.E.; Cpl. Mar-Rhine/Main.

Recreation Available

When there is time for recrea-N.W.; and Pvt. Theodore Hodges, When there is time for recrea-4322 Hayes St., N.E. tion the men enjoy the two librar-4322 Hayes St., N.E. Philadelphia Represented ies, the service club, play baseball, Climbing into a truck to go to

French St., Philadelphia, helped Brooklyn, N.Y.; and M/Sgt. Dillard me in many ways while visiting Coleman Sr., Mansfield, Ohio.

the Edwards Area where the men 24th Truck Battalion Officers—Lt.

Off duty in the service club, dolph, military personnel officer, of 218 South State Street, Chicago;
Pvt. Calvin Hardy, Chase City,
Va.; Pfc. Freddie J. Clark (only 20 years old and two months over seas), of 1339 N. 11th St., Philadelphia; Pvt. Francis H. Dixon, 502
East Seventh St., Wilmington, Del.;
Pvt. Elmer R. Casson, 923 Bennett St., Wilmington, Del.;
Cpl. Dolphus Tillman, Durham, N.C.; Cpl. Leon Bledsoe, entertainer, of Los Angeles; Cpl. James Henderson, Petersburg, Va.; Sgt. Samuel Braithwaite, 623 Arctic Ave., Atlantic City, N.J.; and M/Sgt. John H. Lewis, Louisville, Ky.
Baltimoreans in Unit
It looked for a time as though I would not be able to find a single Baltimorean—but as soon as the word got around that an AFRO reporter was in camp, the Baltimoreans found me.

Pfc. Algon Stevens, 542 W. Biddle St., asked me to say hello to his folks.

The others were Pfc. Ira C.

Among those I talked to were shall H. Williams, 1229 Seventh St.,

and go to other cities on leave. Climbing into a truck to go to The baseball team has lost only the airbase I saw Cpl. Roland W. one game this season.

The club hostesses are Mrs. Cara Booker T. Hunt, 1503 N. 22nd St., Colyer, 112 S. 13th St., Newark, both of Philadelphia. Also from N.J., and Miss Olive Dickerson, Philly was Pfc. Henry Clayton, Washington, D.C.

They give a mathly highly was Colhers I talked to who were

They give a monthly birthday Others I talked to who were party for soldiers born within the month, have weekly dancing, and give special parties whenever some soldier asks for one.

Co-operate With Writer

M/Sgt. Robert L. Russell, 1638 kinson, N.C.; Pvt. Donald Lane, French St., Philadelphia, helped Rrocklyn, N.Y.; and M/Sgt. Pilladelphia.

the Edwards Area where the men live.

24th Truck Battalion Officers— Lt. Col. Hyman Y. Chase, commanding officer and his wife, Mrs. Nelka S. Chase, of 654 Girard St., N.W., Washington, D.C.

Capt. Harold A. Butler, executive officer, and his wife, Mrs. Maude E. Butler, of 222 Garfield Ave., Columbia, Ohio; Capt. Alamanca L. Williams, operations officer, of 910 E. Franklin St., Crawfordsville, Ind.; Capt. Harry C. Tartts motor officer, and his wife, Mrs. Orlean B. Tartt, Waite, is slated to receive his doctorate this summer at Columbia University.

Easterners Active

Off duty in the service club, I encountered:

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rattis Tells General Clay:

FRANKFURT, Germany—Jim row and segregation number of these young men was handicapped and cheated. They handicapped and cheated. They from the Negro soldiers for hat integration policies and programs to render obscure to the 9,200 Negro soldiers their which most of their white hand benefits to be derived from military service.

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Rev. advisor on Nagro American Negroes in the of segregation. These complaints mentioned specific acts of discontinuous advisor on Nagro American Negroes in the of segregation. Marcus Ray, adviser on Negro Army of Occupation. . . I have indicated that while such a sys affairs. Incidentally, there is an become convinced that the Army tem prevails, they are not going I do not think they are important adviser on political affairs and an is doing everything it can within to give the best that is in them in themselves, or by themselves. the limits of present policy to and that they are not going to Colonel Ray has done a remark-At the conclusion of the tour, promote the welfare and the trust their white officers, or any ably satisfactory and inspiring arrangements were made for the happiness of these men. Nowhite officers and enlisted men, job in handling such specific these men at work and at playficer, no matter how earnest and acts. I am sure he will continue Clay, the military governor of Ger- without realizing that the Armyfai. he tries to be, is insincere, to do so. But Colonel Ray can-Clay, the military governor of Germany, United States Zone, at the
has introduced new and concrete very baffling. It represents not change the system. Only the
values into their lives.

One of the most insidious aspects
head of the military government Unfortunately, a raging tempest I believe that at least 90 per of the relationships between can do that.

cent of these soldiers, officers whites and Negroes in the Army. LAY RESPECTED OFFICER and enlisted men, are better off, One of the reasons is because This correspondent, of course in a physical and material sense, many of these white officers (not las no way of knowing what in the Army than they would all, to be sure) are sincere. They ction General Clay may take be be in civilian life. I believe they wantt o see their men treated ause the foregoing statement was have more, and more adequate, as American soldiers, regardless ubmitted to him. The issue was cleaner homes, prompter and segregation. But they are pris-pecause he is known to be a blunt cleaner homes, prompter and segregation. But they are pris-because he is known to be a blunt much more serviceable and too. Sometimes, when they go himself. His forthrightness is restricted by the serviceable and too. stimulating recreation and enter-too far in challenging the status pected by Negroes inment facilities.

In civilian life, a substantial from above. Their careers are But this correspondent had

Asked whether he had had an pportunity to observe the honor guards at Berlin and Heidelberg ne said there was intense rivalry etween the two units and added that no one has ever seen" a fi per exhibition of discipline, training and drill technique than these two units exhibited.

They are outstanding in my the Army Secretary bey could not be excelled."

STILL FIGHTING CIVIL WAR:

All in Engineer Unit

GELNHAUSEN, Germany — Just about everybody who going six months, as of June 3, Pfc. Wilmore Mason, a driver, spoke to me from the 547th Engineer Combat Battalion, without a single man in the com who hails from Salisbury, Md. spoke to me from the 547th Engineer Combat Battanon, pany getting VD! Cpl. Ernest Lacklan, Yonkers, isolated here in a caserne, had some complaint to make about The officer just arriving was N.Y., says he has a host of friends

the outfit—except the commanding officer.

The commanding officer, Lt. zengen), and a captain with a Col. Bruce W. Reagan (white), desk job, all the officers are white.

Waco, Texas, pulled up a chair white.

Clique of Dixiecrats cigarette on the edge of the desk They are not only white, but it and told me that the battalion was seems that they have formed a performing its missions in a clique mostly of Southerners who are dedicated to the task of

stabulary, is a bridge building his place." heavy engineering equipment, mine. I had it on very good au-and in the event of war would op-thority from several of the men erate in advance of the infantry that a number of the officers do

"very gratifying manner."

The outfit has done brilliant not know their jobs, and depend lng a company. work bridging rivers in day and upon the non-commissioned offi-

In addition, the men learn Says Army Should Wake Up

would rather see the Army com-ex-AFRO newsie, Cpl. Robert L pletely integrated and mixed, Green of 1858 Kendall St., N.E., without regard to racial origin. Washington, who handles rations But until that comes, they want in the outfit. colored units to be colored units, not colored soldiers with white came back to Germany.

However, despite all the gripes 603 Gilbert Street, Baltimore, I heard in the 547th, the men hard at work in the motor pool. take pride in being good soldiers. He is reconnaissance sergeant (two hours per day) has drawn a kind, has as dangerous a job as good response, so everybody told you can find in the Army.

me. The soldiers dress well off

Another Baltimorean seen was duty. They're buying bonds Pfc. Robert Hodges, 904 What-They're proud of themselves and coat St., assistant mail clerk. He their battalion.

6 Months Without Case of VD Headquarters and service com Hodges. pany has the proud distinction of From the Eastern Shore, I saw

2nd Lt. Lorris E. Brown of in Baltimore. Thomasville, Ga., a recent grad Cpl. Albert Logan of 1412 H

Major Albert L. Smith, New ex-Navy veteran.
York City, the first field grade Coming Home Soon
chaplain I had seen in Germany, While from Philadelphia, Cpl. performing its missions in a clique mostly of Southerners who likewise began his work with the Samuel Gentry, 1250 N. 11th St. The 547th, a part of the Con-"keeping the colored soldier in to see the battalion.

unit, using the latest type of This is not just an opinion of logicon, PIO and information and know that he "will be home education officer, is the man with soon." the desk job—when the men want Two other Philadelphians seen to see him in the field command-were Pfc. Lewis Williams Jr., 669

why the 547th couldn't be collesses. They are Misses Mary L. newspapers; Pfc. Rudolph Thurhard not been eager to tell their troubles to some outsider.

The officer situation is what hurts them most. There are have found this point of view weekly dances, monthly birthday swedesboro, N.J.; and Pfc. Arabout 30 officers in the unit, but with the exception of a chaplain, Apparently the young post-war awarrant officer. a young sec-

with the exception of a chaplain,
Apparently the young post-war The soldier who was so proud
a warrant officer, a young second lieutenant who arrived the making a career of the Army Germany until he located me and same day I did (and was immediately sent away to school at Kit gence than anybody gives him ex-AFRO newsboy. His name is

with what the Army is doing to Street, Norfolk, Va., working as him.

Either Integration or All-Colored battalion.

First of all, they tell me they He introduced me to another

Runs Into Baltimoreans Riding around the area in an officers. I heard this over and armored car with the battalion over in the 547th—but I had been motor sergeant, Herman Edhearing it also since the day I wards, Memphis, Tenn., I encountered Sgt. Deloen Wilkes, of

The "on duty" education program and in a combat outfit of this

wanted to send a greeting to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter

uate of Fort Belvoir, who brought St., N.W., Washington, once spent his wife with him to Germany. six months in Alaska and is an

battalion the same day I came out put in 43 months in the Pacific see the battalion.

Capt. Leroy C. Roach of Wash-wife, Mrs. Cathleen Gentry, to

Union St., and Pvt. Johnnie A veteran of 18 years in the Johnson, 1731 Annin Street. They Army is WOJG Lonnett H. Cy-were also working in the motor

The special service officer here est soldiers around was Pfc. reconnaissance in armored cars, "The sooner the Army realizes is white, the librarian is white James A. Saunders, Bluefield, W.

reconnaissance in armored cars, sending back news of enemy positions by radio, to dig up mines, and, when forced to with draw from forward positions, to employ delaying tactics such as blowing up bridges and planting mines.

It's a tough, well-trained and fighting unit, but most of the men are in a bitter mood. I would never have heard of the 547th, nor visited the outfit, if the men had not been eager to tell their troubles to some outsider.

"The sooner the Army realizes white, the librarian is white James A. Saunders, Bluefield, Was It's and with but eight around colored units, the PX months in the Army.

Others talked to and doing their jobs include: eivillans. Also here at Gelnhaus place is guarded by DP's.

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Wives, Girl Friends Insulted by Inspections and Checks: Say Fort Is 'Run by a Dictator'
imaginable. This man told me h

the best facilities for physical conforts to be found on any Army but for the first time since entering Germany on this trip I is the agency designated to issue social passes to German girls, then all passes should originate at that source. Henry Caserne soldiers around the social pass situation, which could be a very serious mater in that one of the men with a couple of enlistments to his credit to bloodshed in the near future miless some changes were made.

Ing the Civil war.

High Brass Responsible

But the fact remains that if the office of the provost marshall is the agency designated to issue social passes to German girls, then all passes should originate at that source. Henry Caserne soldiers with good records are extremely concerned over an obvious act of discrimination—which may or may not originate at Henry Caserne. Philadelphians include Pfc Thomas Scott, 2137 N. 11th St., who plays sax in the band and had his own combo before joining the Army; Sgt. Marshall Allen, also in the band, from 1626 W. Columbia Ave.; Pvt. James Hunter, 2121

be bloodshed in the near future terms. There are four units at the carmless some changes were made.

Girl Friends Insulted

The men say the way the pass attation is handled is "degrading." They say they are embarrassed, their girl friends or wives insulted, and worst of all they are not treated according to Army regulations. They tell me that the office of the provost marshall issues all passes for girls to enter Army installations in the Munich—except for Henry Caserne. They tell me that the office of the provost marshall issues all passes for girls to enter Army installations in the Munich—except for Henry Caserne. They tell me that the office of the provost marshall issues all passes for girls to enter Army installations in the Munich—except for Henry Caserne. They tell me that the office of the provost marshall issues all passes for girls to enter Army installations in the Munich—except for Henry Caserne issues its own private social pass to girls—a pass which is good only for Henry Caserne. They tell me that Henry Caserne issues its own private social pass to girls—a pass which is good only for Henry Caserne. They tell me that Henry Caserne as the guest of a colored soldier, is barred from beand for a VD check.

Used as "Club"

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Tyon St.; Pfc. Joseph Roberts, 3532 S. Dorrance St.; Pfc. Joseph Roberts, 3532

and Checks; Say Fort Is 'Run by a Dictator' the Army can give him many worthwhile experiences that may be useful in later life.

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Many In his spare time. He feels the Army can give him many worthwhile experiences that may be useful in later life.

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Fremont Ave. is another soldier from Baltimore—as is Pfc Garfield Redd 922 McDeneugh St. All

High Brass Responsible

What actually is happening is When word gets around that that efforts are still being made an AFRO reporter is in the area, by American Nazis to keep Ger-it doesn't take long for some Baltiman girls away from colored sol-more soldier to appear on the than girls away from colored solution more soldier to appear on the diers. The top men at Henry Cas scene. And no amount of doing erne merely figured out the pass the same thing can keep me from device so that they could give the getting a kick out of the big grin MP's and CIC a club with which to that comes to the face of a Baltiwhip the girls who try to be demomorean when you tell him you ratic. By using the special Henry want to write something about him caserne pass they can always put for the folks at home to read. the finger on the girl who has any relations with a colored soldier. Gilmor St., who not long ago combat makes it still worse, according to one GI who was almost tears, is the fact that when a tear applies for a Henry Caserne pass, she may have to submit to some of the most degrading abuse

to write about. He said he's doing fine, and writes poems about Ger many in his spare time. He feels

the colored units stationed in examination of any kind somebody at Henry is still fight are young but seem to be making the best facilities for physical stationary in the best facilities for physical stationary in the civil war.

High Brass Responsible to make an from Baltimore—as is Pfc Garfield Redd, 932 McDonough St. All are young but seem to be making the adjustment from civilian to

Colonel Ray Doing Essential Job

Courier Executive Edito

HEIDELBERG, Germany—The war is ended but its eighty-five members and has proposed in this beautiful, bruised and resilient (according to Army Regulations) bearing and military courtest, their soldierly the beautiful, bruised and resilient (according to Army Regulations) by setting up an Augmentation to duty, their fine driving ability, and their persons. driving ability, and their persons services, over and above the nor mal requirements of their duty services. Of this number of 90,000 men. Of this number of Negro selders. He has a part of the services of your company and indicate the services of their duty services. He has a part Ruffin is a letter from Gere cated a high service and above the nor mal requirements of their duty services of your company and indicate the services of the cent, are American Negroes, policy levels. His knowledge of ant Ruffin is a letter from Gen-cated a high state of discipling s the purpose of this, and suc-the Army has enabled him to fer eral Huebner which contains the and training in your organization ding articles, to describe for ret out saboteurs on all levels of following paragraph from a letter He has pointed out that the mer you what the Negro soldier is action. By so doing, he has been written by Secretary of Defense themselves were superior soldiers. able to get things cone. It is the Forrestal: doing in Germany.

significant contribution to the ond thoughts. WINNING RESPECT

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MEN APPRECIATE RAY It should be emphasized hereLieutenant Ruffin. They are tops who is a Wilberforce graduate hat Colonel Ray is not only thein the United States Zone. As the married to the former Grace est important Negro soldier atname indicates, the role of the Lynch of Youngstown. During the this headquarters and in the Eu-Honor Guard is to escort and drill war. Captain Powell served with opean zone, but he is also one of for visiting dignitaries. There are the 614th Tank Destroyer Bat-

At the time the writer visited, ar Army.

rangements were being made to TAKE PRIDE IN WORK have their drills televised for show-ing in the United States.

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Warrant Officer Benjamin R. Du-ly contact, not only with the bigrant, participates in all ceremon-gest of the brass over here, but ies as directed by the commanding also with the most distinguished general, stages concerts for civili- isitors who come to Heidelberg, ans and troops in the United aprain Powell showed the writer. States Zone, and provides music with obvious pride, a letter from for visiting stars of the stage, a visitor who had spent forty days screen and radio. Mr. Durant for-in the area and had used two merly taught English literature at chauffeurs from the 519th. In re the A. and M. College at Pine of the particular VIP, Major Gen

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military government of Germany. Rather disconsolately, they re-to the members of the guard and Donora, same State.

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The most important Negro sol. CRACK HONOR GUARD

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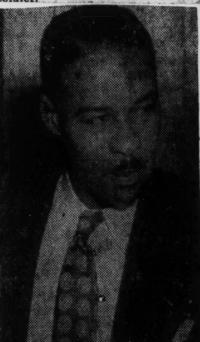
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At the time the writer visited, ar brings them into close and friend-rangements were being made to brings them into close and friend-have their drills televised for show-by contact, not only with the big-nave their drills televised for show-by contact, not only with the big-gest of the brass over here, but The 427th Band, directed by visitors who come to Heidelberg.

"He has stated that these two by setting up an Augmentation services, over and above the normal requirements of their duty, served as outstanding representatives of your company and indi-

rently directed by Sgt. Jeremia Rather disconsolately, they realize that they are still in a jimerow Army, that what they have read about integration back home to those of the Secretary of diers who were unfortunate there. They know that their work the sentiments to you a school, designed to give primary and secondary education to solutions to those of the Secretary of diers who were unfortunate there. They know that their work the sentiments to you a school, designed to give primary and secondary education to solutions to those of the Secretary of diers who were unfortunate the sentiments to you as the secondary education to solve the secretary of diers who were unfortunate the sentiments to you as the secondary education to solve the secretary of diers who were unfortunate the secondary education to solve the here. They know that their work these ceremonies, you represent in civilian life. These schools, and here is either semi-manual or the entire European Command and others, conducted throughout the dress-up. They know that the reflect the standards of dress, soi zone for whites and Negroes, have "big stuff" is above, or beyond, dierly behavior, equipment and done much to raise the educational them. Briefly, it has been a pleasure performance of duty which exis and cultural level of the American soldier.

Mr. Prattis



three articles by Mr. Prattis tell- has grown. In this growth our boysbe constantly satisfied. many are faring and what they role to play.

policy levels. His knowledge of Forrestal:

Three of the excellent officers

Three of the excellent officers

NURENBERG, Germany-Although there is little that
the Army has enabled him to fer"There are several points which assisting Captain Powell in the
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the Army has enabled him to ferimpressed me much at my visit to administration of this company is spectacular or dramatic in the American occupation force, able to get things come. It is the was that very smart Honor Guard ecutive officer; 1st Lieut. Earl there are some of these men who would be compelled to impression of this correspond and the band which greeted me Blanton, intelligence and education officers ap upon arrival, Those men make a tion officer, and 1st Lieut. Henry preciate and respect Colonel Ray, very fine appearance and are cermulation officer. Lieuthenry investigation officer. Lieuthenry were to be succeeded by a shooting war.

The men are not unhappy. It tainly a credit to the uniform, tenant Blanton is from Aliquippa. The service of most Negro losophy degree in zoology.

would be wrong to say so. They Please convey my congratulations Pa., and Lieutenant Murphy from roops in Germany is either semi-Chase is easily the most talked have a sort of professional pride to their commanding officer and Doors same State.

No picture of the in command of nine companies, six work of Ameri-of the Twenty-fourth Transportacan Negro sol-tion Truck Battalion at Frankfurt. diers in Germany one at Frankfurt-Praunheim and would be com-two at Mainz-Kastel. There are plete without in 1,200 enlisted men in these comclusion of the panies and sixty-one officers, twentraining programs ty-one of whom are white, of constabulary SUPPORT TO AIRLIFT (infantry) units. Colonel Chase says that the prithe educational programs for mary purpose, or job, of his units,

been denied support to the airlift operations at a chance in civilian Rhein-Main and at Wiesbaden Air Force Bases. More specifically nite, though the large what his men do.

They drive trucks me youths who have is to give ground transportation

glamorous role They drive trucks. They meet in-Negroes are playing in the so coming freight trains. The trucks are loaded by German and Polish American and British forces labor detachments. They are then 50 blocked on the ground by the driven to a line-up center after be-Russians, are now flying moreing weighed and then to the waitthan 8,000 tons of food and othering planes where the Germans and
provisions into Berlin daily.

PRODIGIOUS, COST

This provisioning of Berlin Cost

The job looks simple—just sitting 2 gr

This provisioning of Berlin, cost-in trucks and driving them from ing antold millions, requires apone point to another. But it isn't original and historic coordination as simple as it looks. These men of air and ground service so that must keep in repair and active in the course of twenty-four hours the following vehicles: 350 4-5-ton not a single minute is lost that ruck tractors, 600 1-ton semican be utilized for the purpose of trailers, 90 21/2-ton cargo trucks, Isporting supplies to the West thirty-eight Army sedans, sixty 4ton trucks, thirty %-ton cargo ton trucks, thirty %-ton cargo go the sinto he gears of this effi-trucks, six 10-ton wreckers, four 2 cient transport machine that our ton wreckers, twelve 2,000-gallon gi boys have been fitted. Theirs is agasoline tankers, three 3,000-gallon routine contribution, but without gasoline tankers, and one 4,000it and the efficient manner ingallon Diesel oil tanker. which the contribution is made, These units, through the nine

the success (and certainly the pro-motor pools which they operate, gressive growth) of the airlift must keep this equipment in con-LIEUT. COL. MARCUS RAY operation would be jeoparized. dition so that the prodigious ap-This is the first in a series of Berlin from the Frankfurt area twenty-four hour schedule, may

ing how Negro troops in Ger- have had a definitive, if prosaic, NOT THE MAJOR JOB

Their commanding officer is However, the job that Chase is Lieut. Col. Hyman Chase, a form-doing is not the one which ener Washington school teacher, who gages major interest in the Eurois able to boast a Doctor of Phi-pean Command. I had scarcely

enied Counsel They S By LEM GRAVES Jr. (Courier Washington Correspondent)

WASHINGTON-Air Force officials here last week ordered the assignment of counchosen by three accused Negro defendants to the court martial of these men on muricipal the 3rd Infantry division at and proper charges on the island of Guam The Air Force directed Guam court mar overseas with the division in 1944. cials to delay the trial of these men until the requested counsel was available of Promoted On Battlefield headquarters was satisfied that "cogent reasons" made the requested counsel un-

th Courier protested to officials

hree Negro enlisted airmen, at- Force. ed to the Twentieth Air Force Dennis.

COURIER HELP

M REPLIES

following information was

al of the two Dennis y of this week, April 18,

(2) Sergeant Burns and Pvt.
rman Dennis had expressed a
ference for assignment to a
ut. Col. Edward F. Daly as defense counsel. Lieut. Col. who is assigned to the tieth Air. Force's judge adas staff was "unavailable" diately, said the Guam combut added that his avail-

that the defendants had been dicated that he was satisfied counsel." d counsel of their choice and with the assignment of experi-

iants are Sgt. Robert Burns and brasks and a member of the nard A. Katz, former assistant on his availability. attorney general of New York MUST BEAR EXPENSE with twenty years of civilian law The radiogram sent to Courier received, early last experience, and Lieut. John J. rier merely said that the men had

had been denied counsel of judge advocate staff members. Sel. Under military law, court choice; that they were being for their lives for crimes they not commit, and that they Lieu Co. Daily's present assign provided it is reasonably possible victims of "prejudice and unmentally asked The Courier was at the time, to have such counsel available. In the Courier's request, an ast the accused, Headquarters officials scene of the trial at Government assigned this case, military counsel is usual the courier's request, an ast the accused. Headquarters officials scene of the trial at Government assigned this case, military counsel is usual the courier's request, an ast the accused. Headquarters officials scene of the trial at Government assigned that they wired the Twentieth the evidence against these men on Howavar in cases where civilian countries. lately wired the Twentieth the evidence against these men on However, in cases where civilian

> newspaper. "GET LIEUT. COL. DALY"

this trial if that was at all possi-outcome of the problem and to postpone the court martial until headquarters gave the green light. The text of this message to Guam is as follows:

orgent reason to the contrary exists. Lieut. Col. Edward F. Dalv. and/or such other officers as may be requested by accused be made available as individual defense counsel. If for any reason officers requested are not available, this headquarters will be netified and

ability was "presently being contrial will be delayed pending instructions of this headquarters structions of this headquarters (3) Pvt. Calvin Dennis had in- with reference to individual defense

Meanwhile, funds are being soas a result, they feared an enced legal counsel which had licited among Negro airmen on been made by Twentieth Air Guam for a defense fund for these force.

(4) The Twentieth Air Force accused men. Sponsors of this fund drive allege that their objective is Guam, were arrested early this told headquarters that three ex- to hire civilian defense counsel. and charged with the rape perienced lawyers from its judge The Twentieth Air Force officials slaying of Miss Ruth Farns- advocate staff had been assigned did not indicate, in their reply to th, white gift shop proprietor, to defend these men. They are headquarters, that the accused men were seeking civilian counsel. They are this mid-Pacific island. The degraduate of the University of Negraduate of the Univer brothers, Pvts. Calvin and Her- Colorado State bar; Captain Ber- no final decision had been reached

Ensley, University of Wisconsin not been granted counsel of their graduate with three years of exchoice. It did not say who they perience as a practicing attorney wanted to represent them or whether the perience as a practicing attorney in Wisconsin. All are Air Force or not they sought civilian countries.

The radiogram sent to The Cou-

Force in Guam requesting prithe theory that to do so prior to
counsel is desired, the defendants
reply to five questions subthe trial of the men would be conare required to pay expenses and
trary to established legal practice
and would result in "trial by
counsel.

Air Force officials in Washington say that they intend to d However, officials in headquar everything possible to insure a fair ters immediately dispatched a wire trial of these men. It is known that to the Guam command directing it headquarters officials have planned to get Lieutenant Colonel Daly for a review of the proceedings and

He is Can Langston H. Caldwell, of Denver, Colo. recently assigned as regimental intelligence

A graduate of Tuskegee Institute, Capt. Caldwell entered the service in February, 1942, and was assigned to Tuskegee Army Air base at Tuskegee. Later he

commission in the field artillery and was assigned duties as a liaison pilot with the 595th Field Artillery battalion.

Capt. Caldwell returned to the States in 1946 and was assigned to the 571st field artillery battalion at Ft. Benning, Ga. After serving ESTELLE M. TRENT, daughter there as plans and training offi- of President and Mrs. Trent of cer for eight months, he received Livingstone college, Salisbury orders for the Far East Command N. C. has returned from Kobe, and joined the 24th in Japan in Japan, where she served as an November, 1946.

mation and education officer for war she was engaged in Red the 24th for 25 months.



army hostess. Prior to this job Prior to his present assigned, she spent six months in Guam Capt. Caldwell was troop infor- with the Red Cross. During the Cross work for 26 months.

BY HUBERT H. WHITE HDVOLULU (A N P) — Pyts east.
C Levins F Dannis and Staff Sg Four young Negro men came
Robert Burns have been charged ashore to share the few moments of with the murder of Miss Ruth Farns Hawaiian sunshine and to view the worth white, on Guand Island — sights of this great "melting pot" of one of the Hawaiian chain, and coming under the jurisdiction of far before being stopped by a police-civilian government here. But I am man.

The law officer proceeded to quesapparent harm the publicity to their tion the men regarding whether relations here.

many ignorant whites have been were no good here. telling them all along! The Negro is Alfred Thibodeaux, their union capable of the worst sex crime. He delegate and official of Marin will kill if you resist."

squarely on the carpet by a group the help of Rudolph Eskovitz, power of Chinese friends to explain away ful union and civic leader, who made the young men's act (it seems that a formal protest to Chief of Police everyone is taking the papers as Dan Liu. printing the truth.) CRACK DOWN NOTED

having been instructed to crack go." down on the freedom of the Negro here since the crime. The most recent evidence came on January 19

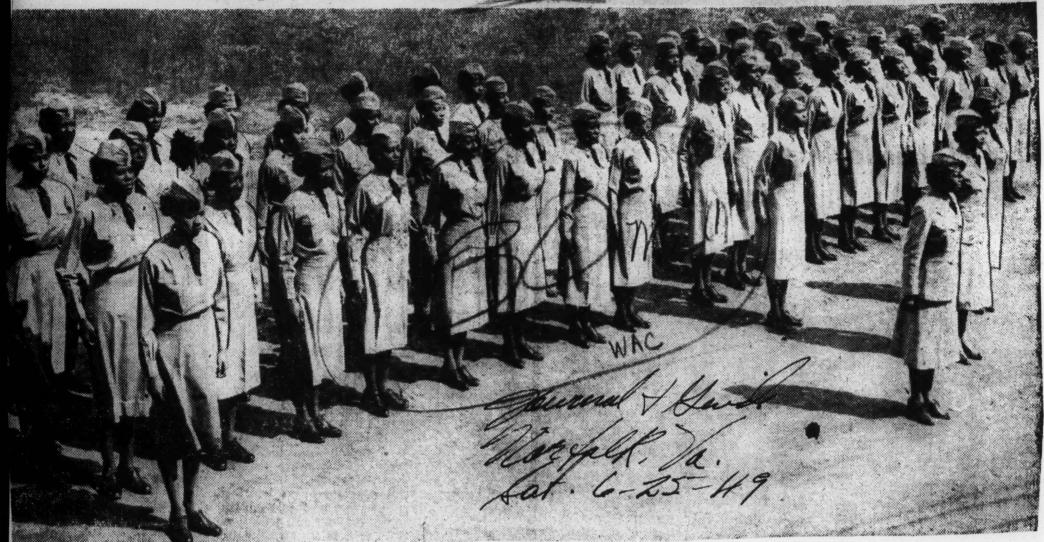
wnen the S. S. General Meigs docked here on her stopover to the lan

supposed crime did to Negro social they had ever been arrested and why were they in Hawaii!!! He then Many Japanese, Chinese and Por- took down the numbers of their seatuguese have taken the above stated men's papers and told them their crime as evidence of the truth which passes issued by their ship master

Cooks and Stewards, went to the Only a few days ago, I was put office of the union here and secured

When the chief was questioned by ANP, he demed asking officers to Local police, also show signs of give the Negroes a "tough way to

Newly Set-Up WAC Service Unit



Members of the all-Negro Women's Army Corps Detachment A, 1262nd Area Service Unit, Fort Dix, N. J., at their first formation. The new unit was activated June 15 and is commanded by Capt. Blanche L. Scott, of Washington, D. C. Executive officer is 1st Lt. Ann Hall. of Chicago. Ill.

FORT KNOX, KY-Pvt. Rache Hill, a graduate of Central High School, Paris, Tenn., is now assigned to the Cost Accountant-Adutent General Section, Fort Knox

Prior to entering the Women's Army Corp in April, 1949, Pvv. Hill was a beautician in her hometown employed as instructor and operathe Earling n Beuty

She is now a clerk and her duties onsists of compiling statistical reports and balancing statements and receipts for units at Fort Knox. Before reporting for duty at this

security and a cool who," the phis Recrutting Main Station under the Women's Armed Services Intrable enlisted by the Memphis Re-Women's Arm's Country of the Women's Arm's Country of the Memphis Re-Women's Arm's Force were made deviced in group got their first glimpse of Germany outside the Kitzingen area since beil assigned to the Kit

Army Corps on April 14 of this year Pvt. Hill was a beautician in her hometown. She took her 10-week basic training course at the WAC Training Center, Camp Lee, Va., and

Ist Race WAC Gets Gets Assignment At Ft. Knox Raleigh WAC Clerk At Center In Germany



vel. "I feel that the Army offers Tenn., who became the first Negro the opportunity to travel as well as woman to be enlisted by the Members of the phis Recruiting Main Station under the Women's Armed Services Intra-

commanding of the of the detachment the twelf your members of the unit, ster their time, skiing at the Zugspitze, horseback riding, bowling and touring.

The members of the detachment are:

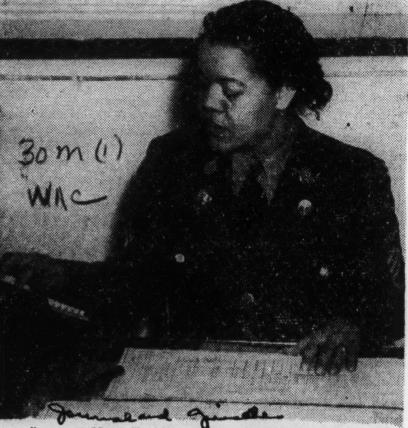
Training Center, Camp Lee, Va., and was graduated from a clerical course at the Quartermaster School The 21-year old WAC, following her exhistment in Memphis in April said, "My reason for enlisting is the fact that I like to travel. To meet and know pure that the Army offers that opportunity as well as security and a good.

Sergeart Pess Hick, the WAC, WAF Recruiter, in Memphis, has charge of recruiting Pvi Hill.

The members of the detachment are:

M/Sgt. Marseleana R. Goodwin, Brooklyn, N.Y.; Sgt. Mary Elizabeth Alston, Raleigh, N.C.; Sgt. Odessa Maxton Oliver, Woodsdale, N.C.; Sgt. Bessie L. Robinson, Cincinnati, Ohio; Sgt. Lucille Bruce, Detroit, Mich.; Cpl. Frances C. Sherman, Jamaica, N.Y.; Cpl. Laurie E. Miller, Phila, Pa.; Cpl. Grace Toliver, Trenton, N.J.; Cpl. Adah L. Anderson, Hannibal, Mo.; Cpl. Ardella C. Pitts, Augusta, Ga.; Cpl. Rosalie A. Simmons, Newark, N.J.; Cpl. Leila Smith, Bronx, N.Y.; Col. Annie B. Williams, Godsden, Ala.; Cpl. Martha L. Williams, Godsden, Ala.; Cpl. Martha L. Williams, Godsden, Ala.; Cpl. Martha D. Franklin, Hot.

Cpl. Martha D. Franklin, Hot Springs, Ark. Pfc Phyllis M. Perkins, Little Rock, Ark. Pfc Marie M. Jack-son, Jefferson, Texas; and Pfc Ethel M. Albritton, Philadelphia, Pa.



Sergeant Mary E. Alston, above, of Raleigh, N. C., one of the first WACS to be assigned to the Kitzinger Training Center in Germany, is cost accounting electron the installation. She has been in the solvice since 1942.—(Photo by Roberts)



changes these reservists found in Army life at the first Women's Army Corps Reserve Training Camp at Camp Lee, Va., is the Troop Information and Education Hour which they

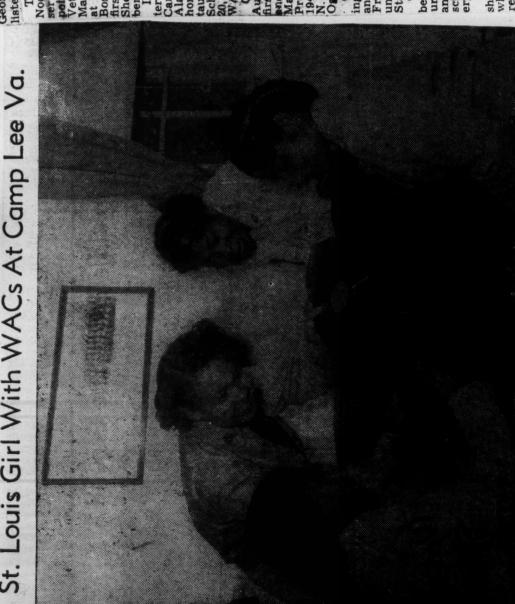
used to know as Current Events. Left to right: Pfc. Olive M. Wicker, Memphis, Tenn.; Corp. DeLora M. Carr, Montgomery, Ala., and Pvt. Vertie M. Hayes, Knoxville, Tenn.—
N. M. E. Photo.

Inducted Into Women's Army Reserve Corps



1/Lt. Ma ba C. Duke (in uniform), recruiting officer of the Eastern Pennsylvania Military District, welcomes Veterans Viola E. Moore, 518 N. Wanamaker St.; Helen Brown, 810 Buck nell St.; Consuella H. Lester, 157 N. 55th St.; Martha Radovich, 131 Monroe St.; and Turner, 2331 N. Garnet St. The scene is the ballroom of the Schuylkill Arsenal in Philadelphia, where the young women were among more than 20 women sworn into the WAC Reserve

St. Louis Girl With W



Ex-Wac Writing of War Experiences menughes, reme legae

writing a narrative of her experiences with the Armed Forces. The of the second class of the Women's drus presented the commissions daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Campbell, she is now staff diet; Army Corps Officer Candidate Music for the occasion was furncian at the VA hospital in Tuskegee, Ala.



MIAMI, Florida — (SNS) — Center, administered the oath of of-CAMP LEE, Va. - Miss Kathleen fice to the members of the graduat-Miss Abbie N. Campbell, who was a Wac Captain during the war, is Payne of Miami, Florida, a member ing class, after which General An-

> Second Lieutenant in the Organized only WAC band in existence. Reserve Corps during graduation The Officer Candidate School is

of Organization and Training, Department of the Army, Presentation of a commendation to the outstanding graduate was made by Colonel Mary A. Hallaren, Director of the Corps. Lieutenant Colonel Elizabeth C. Smth, Commandant of the Officer Candidate School and Commanding Officer of the Training School of Miami, Florida, she and her sister were valedictorian and

School received a commission as a ished by the 14th Army Band, the

ceremonies held for the class of for-set up on a plan to give a six month ty-two women on Thursday, Sept. course of intensive training in all phases of military procedure except Graduation exercises were held in the Post Theater at 1:30 P. M. The principal address was given by Major General Clift Andrus, Director of Organization and Training, Department of the Army Presentation.

salutatorian, she has attended Au gustine College at Raleigh, North Carolina and holds a B. A. degree from Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee.

Miss Payne is the daughter of Mr. Reginald Payne of 1701 N. W. 1st Place, Miami, Florida. He journeyed to camp Lee in Virginia via the Florida East Coast Streamliner to be present at his daughter's gradu-

Mr. Payne is a pioneer Miamian and a successful businessman. He operates his grocery and meat market at the above address. They were guests of an old friend of his in Atlanta on their return trip to Miami.

NEW YORK -(NNPA)- The next time you take to the airwaves IF HAPPY HARRY would profit from one to former 99th Fighter Squadron who had been connected with the Crescent pilot James Bernard Knighton.

The odds are about 100 to 1 that Col. Julian wanted to go to Germany, and,

(did not crash into another plane in the air) until you passed into control of the control tower at La Guardia. In other words, in a speci-fied radius of hundreds of miles of La Guardia, Knighten, when he is

wing at Harrisburg

WORKS OUT SYST M

Once you pass into Kargater's control he begins to tell your pilot what to do. With the thousands of planes coming into La Guardia daily, it is necessary that some contral authority, work out a system so that they will not all come in on he same air lane or crash into each other at points where the various air lanes cross.

To guard against such miships, Knighten sits at a flight control board in the CAA building maintains contact with planes bound for La Guardia. There | are tain points along each given girlane over which each pilot must

European Cigaret Deal

and land safely at La Guardia Aair-mistake, he might be forgiven. But he doesn't, port, take a look at the small Civil The general also went to bat for Col. Hubert Aeronautics. Authority building Fountleroy Julian, famed black eagle of Emthere and whisper a silent "thanks", peror Halle Selassie's Ethiopian Air Force,

Knighten is the man responsible for without examining closely into the purpose bringing your plane in safely of the trip, Vaughan sent him overseas to Knighten is a calculator at La inspect the treatment of Negro troops in the

Knighten is a calculator at La inspect the treatment of Negro troops in the European theater.

Suppose you boarded the plane at Chicago. When you passed over Brookfield, Pennsylvania, the CAA which governs your entire flight, placed you in Knighten's hands.

From that point on he was responsible for seeing to it that your plane maintained "legal clearances," ican generals literally bowed and scraped, Then, suddenly, the real purpose of Col.

Then, suddenly, the real purpose of Col. Julian's trip developed. He proposed taking over the Army's over-age signarets under a deal by which he would exchange one fresh orton for two old ones. The over-age dartons he planned to sell to the Japanese at an estimated profit of

Which you travel.

If you are coming in from the South, Knighten picks you up at Philadelphia. If you are traveling Southwest, he takes you under his sent him—Harry Vaughan.

\$5,000,000.

When Gen. Clay heard about this, Hubert Fountleroy Julian was sent eagling on his way back to the U. S. A. and to the man who sent him—Harry Vaughan.



mes Bernard Kni hten, former 99th Fighter Squadion warn a pilot when he is flying pilot, is the man who sees to it that planes land safely at Lainto the direction of another plane Guardia Field in New Yorks Knighten's job puts a heavy re-or is failing to maintain 'legal sponsibility on him, for he is to look out for the lives of thou clearance." sands of CAA patrons as soon as they come within the territory Legal clearance requires that one

LaGuardia Field.

NEW YORK — (NNPA) — The Aeronautics Authority building Knighten's job is particularly iment time you take to the airwaves there and while a silent "thanks portant. He must chart the locato former 99th Fig. 17. Squadron tion of various planes, warn them next time you take to the airwaves there and whi

Aviation

pilot James Bernard Knighten. of planes in their vicinity and se-The odds are about 100 to 1 that lect routes for them to follow so Knighent is the man responsible that they will not collide in mid for bringing your plane in safely, air,

Knighten is the man responsible CALCULATOR SPEED

Guardia Field. Suppose you boarded the plane the speed of the plane, the number at Chicago. When you passed over of planes in its area and accurate-Brookfield, Pennsylvania, the CAA ly figure when a certain plane will Sims, Chicago, and Calvin E. Petwhich governs your entire flight, pass a certain point. To make erson, Huntsville, Ala., assigned placed you in Knighten's hands. an error in such calculations may to the 56th Fighter Wing, Self-From that point on he was re- prove fatal.

sponsible for seeing to it that your In bad weather a calculator may "checked out" in the Lockhead plane maintained "legal clearan-have nine banks of planes flying "Shooting Star," jet fighter. ces," (did not crash into another over La Guardia waiting for clearplane in the air) until you passed ance to come in. At such times, colored pilots in the Air Force into control of the control tower Knighten must keep them flying in have flown jet fighter planes in at La Guardia. In other words, in altitudes up to 9,000 feet until he an operational unit. a specified radius of hundreds of can drop them down by bringing Colored pilots have flown jet airmiles of La Guardia, Knighten, in the lowest ones first, then the craft in training as cadets at Wilwhen he is on duty, bosses the air next lowest, and so on. when the situation becomes too Ariz. lanes in which you travel.

COMING FROM SOUTH

South, Knighten picks you up at leaves New York for Washington Lts. Sims and Peterson were as-Philadelphia. If you are travel-in bad weather may end up in De. signed to the 56th Fighter Wing ling Southwest, he takes you under troit because Alculators at the as fighter pilots. his wing at Harrisburg.

Once you pass into Knighten's clearance for them to come in. various fields cannot find legal control he begins to tell your pilot what to do. With the thousands FORMER FIGHTER PILOT of planes coming into La Guardia A former fighter pilot with the ron, while Lieutenant Peterson daily, it is necessary that some 99th Pursuit Squadron, Knighten, was assigned to the 63rd Fighter central suthority work out a sys-a native of Tulsa, Oklahoma, is a Squadron. Usually three squadrons tem so that they will not all come veteran of eighty-one overseas make up the components of a

Knighten sits at a flight control Robinson of St. Louis, he has been Force Base, San Antonio, Texas to report to the calculator.

PLANE LOCATION

From his information Knighten is able to know the location of

under his care which covers a wide area. He is a calculator at plane fly 1,000 feet above or below another in altitude and remain ten minutes or forty miles apart in distance. At points where the paths of two planes cross, the clearance requires that no plane shall not cross the particular point until ten minutes after another plane has cleared it.

> On days of inclement flying wea-Air-ther, when pilots are flying by in-

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich. ridge Air Force Base, have both

This marks the first time that

crowded above, Knighten sends Under Air Force policy of intethe pilots on to another field which grating colored Air Force person-If you are coming in from the is clear. Thus, a plane which nel on an Air Force-wide basis,

in on the same air lane or crash missions and earned the Air Medal group with four different type into each other at points where the and the Oak Leaf Cluster during groups comprising a wing. the war.

board in the CAA building and on the calculator's job at La Guar- After completing the basic phase maintains contact with planes for dia for eighteen, months and has the pilots were sent to the advanc-La Guardia. There are certain never had an accident. The posi- ed phase for single-engine fighter points along each given airlane tion, a Federal Civil Service post, pilots at Williams, Air Force Base, over which each pilot must pess has a starting salary of \$3700 a Aviation, cadets fly the North and when he passes over them en-year. Knighten is not only the American "Mustang" F-51 during route to the field, he is required colored calculator in the United their advance training. A proporat Floyd Bennett Field

MEN'S ASSIGNMENTS

Lieutenant Sims drew an assignment with the 62nd Fighter Squad-

Both pilots received their basic To guard against such mishaps. Married to the former Luana flying training at Randolph Air

> States but is also the only colored tional number of the class gets a pilot in the Air Corps' Reserve unil chance to fly the F-80 jet fighter during the advanced phase of training at Williams AFB.

When the advanced phase is successfully completed, the cadets are commissioned and assigned to units throughout the Air Force.

cie in the Sado

HEREVER Negroes may turn the Johnson is going to get any action. The traditional enemies of their progressigns are bad. We'd like to be deceived as equal human beings seem to be in po by these gentlemen from Dixie, but we attions to thwart their advance. The most doubt that we will be.

recent confirmation of this thought has

The new chief of the Joint Chiefs of Staffs is to be General Omar Bradley who Honored for Ala. Airport doesn't think the Army should do anything problem. He thinks the Army should fol-the nation's pioneer parachuteand physical education.

Marshall's absence. Handy is a man who ness it is today."

Marshall's absence. Handy is a man who ness it is today."

In 1932 he was one of the first lieutenant.

Following assignments at Lockhas sort of lucked his way to the top. He's persons in Birmingham to take a bourne Air Force Base, he was as-

He will go overseas to preside over ateeth on this occasion when the tor at Wright-Patterson Air Foresituation which is already bad so far aschute failed to open until it was base. Davton, Ohio.

segregation is concerned. Little help in 1944, he recused a man thrown improving the lot of Negro soldiers therefrom a crashed B-26. may be expected from him. Only recently Bennett was also one of the Negro Air Force officers, shipped to Ger-first pilots in America. Today he many, have been attached to truck units owns the Cabin club, a night rather than the units their service calls for. That's a tip-off on what goes on in Germany.

When Defense Secretary Johnson asked Race Officer Under all three services for new plans for the integration Setup utilization of Negroes on a non-segregated LACKLAND AIR FORCE BASE basis, the Navy and the Air Force came to rexas - (NNPA) - The first coltaw and submitted plans which met John-ored officer assigned to Lackland son's approval. They were indeed a stepunder the Air Force integration proforward. Twice the Army submitted plansgram is First Lieutenant William which Johnson, in essence, characterized as standing athlete.

foolishness, and sent back. The Army was Lieutenant Carter was among 200 odd officers from Lockbourne Air trying to beat around the bush.

August 1 was supposed to be the finalForce Base Columbus, Ohio, redate for the Army to get off the hook and cently reassigned by Air Force head come clean. August 1 is long since past quarters to various bases and comand nobody has heard anything of a new, ed States and overseas.

satisfactory Army plan to knock out seg-

With Collins in the saddle in Washing as officer at the "Gatewas the ton and Handy on top in Germany, one is a graduate of Westinghouse High can be excused for wondering if Secretary School and the University of Pitts-

come in the announcement of new appoint-Ploneer Parachute Jumper ments in the Army

burgh, where he attained a bacheabout such a social problem as the race BIRMINGHAM (ANP) One offer of science degree in sociology

problem. He thinks the Army should follow the patterns of segregation found in civilian life.

The new chief of staff of the Army is a porter at Delta Airlines at the Owens and Barney Eyell. National to be Gen. J. Lawton Collins. General Collins seems like a nice, affable person. Though young, he made quite a reputation for himself in Europe and was a favorite of the Birmingham Airport," Bendickland the "assistant manager Airmen at Lackland remember of with General Eisenhower. But General Collins is from the deep, deep bouth—from New Orleans.

The new head of the United States Army in Germany is to be denoted the things of the company. C. E woolman, president of Delta Airlines, presented the honor pin the company of the atom bomb on the Japanese. The working at the airport, Force Base. In June of the same to drop the atom bomb on the Japanese. The was serving as chief of staff in General Cial firm to the first rate busi- On June 15, 1948, he was promoted the sess it is today.

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parachute jump. He lost two of his signed as physical training instruct

First Colored Honor Grad

SAN ANTONIO, Texas- Seven Negroes were among the 215 men of all mothers said:

"Joseph was a good boy." and 17 WAF members of the 49-B Officer Candidate School class commissioned second lieutenants in the USAF Reserve Officers Corps last week at Lackland Air Force

Base
Included in the group of seven new officers was d. Lt. Douglas of the 27 distinguished graduates. His selection made him the first Negro officer so honored in the history of Officers Candidate School at Lockland.

OTHER OFFICERS -31-

Other newly commissoned officers were: 2nd. Lts. Robert E. Richardson, 4 View street, Greenwich, Conn.; Ezekiel Hyghes Jr., 6716 avenue G., Fairlid, Ala.; Robert M. Wick, 44 Bellevye street, Worcestr. Mass. Norman Hodges, 1659 W. 9th boulevard, Detroit, Mich.; George R. Smith Jr., 222 5th street, S. E., Washington, D. C., and David A. Zuber, 717 Logan street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

One of the youngest, most educated and "civilianized" classes in the history of the USAF Officer Candidate School at Lackland, the class established more "firsts" than any other thus far. The pioneering incident in which one of the Negro officers played an integral part was the Year Book publication, "The Shavetail", of which Lieutenant Hodges was elected associate editor. The class was also the first to graduate in the Air Force blues.

First Negro

SAN ANTONIO, Tex.-The first Negro officer assigned to Lackand AFB under the Air Force integration program is First Lieut. William G. Carter, Pittsburgh, Pa. Lieutenant Carter was among 200-odd officers from Lockbourne Air Force Base, Columbus, Ohio, recently reassigned by headquarters USAF to various bases and commands of the Air Forces in the United States and overseas.



LIEUT. WILLIAM G. CARTER ... one among 200-odd

Griffey of Maysville, Ky:

men from the unit have been selected for overseas duty.

Scheduled to depart the unit is a gradaute of Westinghouse Scheduled to depart the unit is a gradaute of Westinghouse Scheduled to depart the unit is a gradaute of Westinghouse High School and the University of Pittsburgh.

Lieutenant Carter is co-holder of the world's record in the indoor command while M/Sgt. Alonzo command while M/Sgt. Alonzo Barnes, Sgt. first class Johnnie Barnes, Sgt. first class Johnnie Joesie Owens and Barney Ewell, National Collegiate IC4A 100-yard Wilkins and Eugene Harris and Wilkins and Eugene Harris and Charles Wilson have been Airmen at Lackland remember. Pfc. Charles Wilson have been dash champion. Pfc. Charles Wilson have been Airmen at Lackland remember alerted for duty in the Far Eastern him as a member of the Olympic command.



NEW DEVELOPMENT—Shown above is newly completed Jett are in Gadsden, Ala., with buildings completed by Z. W. St. building contractor. The project cost in the neigh-\$60,000 according to reports. Accompanying

in 0:9.6 and was anchor man on the championship relay team.

He enlisted in February, 1945, and took basic training at Sheppard AFB. In June, the same year, he entered pilot training at Tuskegee, where he won his wings. On June 15, 1948, he was promoted to first lieutenant.



Z. W. ZETT SR.

He assumed duty as physical fit-Officials of the Third Battalion ness officer at the Gateway to the announced last week that eight Air Force base, Sept. 1. The son men from the unit have been se- of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Carter,

AAU Air Force track team in 1948, when he captured the century run eremonies Aboard, Ship ewed By Guide Editor

Deck Of Big USS Missouri Is Scene Of Reverent Commemoration Of Event

By P. BERNARD YOUNG, JR. Editor, Journal and Guide

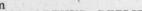
USS MISSOURI AT SEA - Four years ago this warship was the stage on which a great and _tragic drama _had its de- during which the battleship's nine nouement.

A biref and revered ceremony commemorating that event, the formal surrender of the Japanese in Tokyo Bay, was held aboard last Friday on the identi- are commemorating the fourth ancal spot and at the same moment, niversary of the surrender of Ja-

while over 2500 white clad offi- pan. The officers and men of the Missouri, as well as the 1,200 midcers, midshipmen, civilian shipmen on the cruise, who are being trained as the future leadguests, and sailors massed ers, remember your great leaderon, above, beship which is being projected in and the future through them. low, around the "Missouri (at the time of ceremony, eight zero EST) was bearcelebrated "surrender

ing 100 degrees, 258 miles from San Salvador, where Columbus made his first sighting of the Americas. A hurricane is forming to the southeastward.

"(Signed) Allen E. Smith, rear



morial event. From the flagship, message I have ever received by radio, the other ships heard two prayers and a speech by Rear Admoved me quite as deeply as your miral Allan E. Smith comprising signal. Hurricanes indeed may come and go but our beloved country, brought to life by the Sailor Columbus will weather any Each ship lowered its flag to half storm as long as our own sailors, mast as a mark of respect for the such as are now gathered on the men of all services who died in Missouri, continue to exist. May the fight against dictatorships. God protect and preserve them is Aboard the Missouri were ten my prayer from Tokyo as the

the Pacific war had front row Force put into Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, for two weeks of maneu-Admiral Smith. Task Force vers and weekend liberty for crew to General Douglas MacArthur and hurricane was still too far off to

At this writing the latest official word was that navy hurricanehunting planes had been unable To General MacArthur he ra- to locate the center of the most dioed: "Today, the second of recent tropical disturbance, and Sept., on the Missouri, flagship of it remained Saturday in the cat-



MR. YOUNG

On the nine other vessels of the admiral, USN." training cruise Task Force, men of the fleet lined the rails near- MacARTHUR REPLIES est the Missouri to witness the methe ceremony.

SHIPS LOWER FLAGS

deck" of the

can battleship still in active

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Ameri-

men who were also aboard on the world keeps turning over and over day of the Nipponese surrender and over .- Signed-MacArthur." Among them was Alfred Bush, a steward from Chattanooga, Tenn. INTO GUANTANAMO BAY These eyewitnesses to the end of Saturday morning the Task

commander, dispatched messages and midshipmen. At that time the other military leaders figuring be dangerous in our area, but prominently in the last phase of could become a menace later. the war.

RADIOES MacARTHUR

the midshipman cruise. 1949. we egory of "heavy weather." Aerial

hurricane reconnaissance tinued.

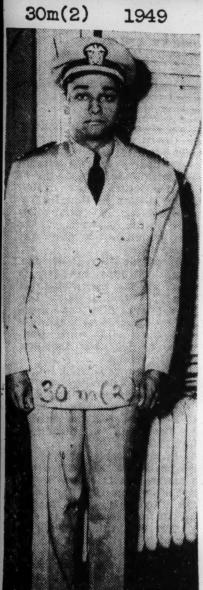
MISSOURI BATTENED DOWN

Meanwhile, the Missouri was battened down for an emergency departure from Guantanamo harbor if the direction and intensity of the prospective hurricane warranted.

The Navy's civilian guests are ashore until Sept. 10, stopping in Navy base's guest house, although we may depart with the Missouri and ride out the storm at sea if conditions warrant.

If that is not necessary, we will reboard ship Sept. 10 for final sixteen-inch guns will be fired.





Navy M. D. George
A. West who was commissioned lieutenant (j.g.) in the Naval Reserve. A graduate of Howard University Medical School, Dr. West served his internship in Provident Hospital, Baltimore, Md. He is now training at the Philadelphia Naval Hospital.—Sykes Photo.

MAAGP Wins Another Reversal Faction of Court-Martial Conviction

NEW YORK—Less than one month after the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People protested the projection and death sentence of former Private Dotria C. Abiton for the alligned murder of a German ci film woman, the Department of the Army notified the MACP that the sentence levied against Abston has been set aside and the conviction reversed.

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In a letter written to the Secretary of the Army on May 24, NAACP Assistant Special Counsel Franklin H. Williams asserted that "even a cursory examination of the court-martial record. indicates to an objective observer that Abston's conviction was without justification in law or in fact." Pointing out that "no bit of circumstantial evidence adduced by the prosecution, remained unexplained," the NAACP attorney declared that "it is shocking and disgraceful that an American soldier should be so severly sentenced without having been proved guilty of the crime beyond the reasonable doubt required by law,"

ing been proved guilty of the crime beyond the reasonable doubt required by law."

Charging that the difference in race of the parties involved "prajudiced or affected in a great degree the members of the court-martial board" who convicted Abston, Mr. Williams requested the intervention of the Department of the Army to reverse the finding or at least to give the NAACP an opportunity to appear before an authorized board to argue the facts and the law applicable to the case.

For Neglect
Of Amputee
FORT MEADE, Md. — Of-

FORT MEADE, Md. — Officers of the general court martial last week refused to drop charges against Capt. Joel G. Holmes, Jr. of Philadelphia, accused of neglect of duty as an army medical officers in connection with the freezing and alleged consequent amputation of both feet of an army private, Joseph Suggs.

Holmes and three superior officers at the Wurzburg, Germany, disciplinary center in 1947, are charged in Suggs' complaint. Present as a witness, Suggs is confined to a wheel chair.

Witnesses for the prosecution testified that there was only one stove in the center during one of Europe's worst winters and that this was in the guard's room. The men, it was stated, were forced to walk naked through the corridors to the latrine.

Holmes is said never to have visited the men in solitary confinement despite the complaints that they were freezing.

Suggs testified that when he left solitary, where he was confined for missing a formation, his feet were so swollen his shoes had to be cut before he could put them on. Men in solitary, it was stated, were not permitted to wear shoes or socks.

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Pri Straimen Articlead of Thomasville. Ala, became the first member of the American army of occupation in Japan to die by the gallows here recently.

Armistead, 32, was convicted and sentenced to hang by an eight army court martial for the hammer slaying of a Japanes father, two sons and a girl near Jokohama, Oct. 25, 1947.

He was also convicted of beating three other Japanese and tending a watch. The death sentence was confirmed by President Truman on Nov. 16.